

FIFTH DAY.

(Saturday, January 13, 1917.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m.,
pursuant to adjournment.

(Speaker Fuller in the chair.)

The roll was called, and the following
members were present:

Bagby.	McFarland.
Baker.	McMillin.
Beard of Harris.	Martin.
Beasley.	Meador.
Bedell.	Mendell.
Bell.	Metcalfe.
Bertram.	Miller of Austin.
Blackburn.	Miller of Dallas.
Blackmon.	Moore.
Blalock.	Morris.
Bledsoe.	Murrell.
Boner.	Neeley.
Bryan.	Neill.
Bryant.	Nichols.
Burton of Rusk.	O'Banion.
Burton of Tarrant.	Osborne.
Butler.	Parks.
Cadenhead.	Peddy.
Canales.	Peyton.
Carlock.	Pillow.
Clark.	Poage.
Cope.	Raiden.
Cox.	Robertson.
Crudgington.	Roemer.
Davis of Dallas.	Rogers.
Davis of Grimes.	Russell.
De Bogory.	Sackett.
Denton.	Sallas.
Dodd.	Sentell.
Dudley.	Schlosshan.
Dunnam.	Seawright.
Estes.	Sholars.
Fairchild.	Smith of Bastrop.
Fisher.	Smith of Hopkins.
Fitzpatrick.	Smith of Scurry.
Florer.	Spencer of Nolan.
Fly.	Spencer of Wise.
Greenwood.	Spradley.
Haidusek.	Stewart.
Harris.	Strayhorn.
Hartman.	Swope.
Hawkins.	Taylor.
Hill.	Templeton.
Holland.	Terrell.
Hudspeth.	Thomas.
Johnson.	Thomason.
Jones.	of El Paso.
Laas.	Thomason.
Lacey.	of Nacogdoches.
Laney.	Thompson.
Lanier.	of Hunt.
Lee.	Thompson.
Lindemann.	of Red River.
Low.	Tillotson.
of Washington.	Tilson.
McComb.	Tinner.
McCoy.	Traylor.
McDowra.	Upchurch.

Valentine.	Williams
Veatch.	of McLennan.
Walker.	Williford.
White.	Wilson.
Williams	Woods.
of Brazoria.	Woodul.

Absent—Excused:

Beard of Milam.	Monday.
Beason.	Nordhaus.
Bland.	O'Brien.
Brown.	Pope.
Cates.	Reeves.
Davis	Richards.
of Van Zandt.	Schlesinger.
Hardey.	Scholl.
Lange.	Tschoepe.
Lowe	Wahrmund.
of McMullen.	

A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C.
Mitchell, Chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted
leaves of absence on account of impor-
tant business:

Mr. Tschoepe, for today, on motion of
Mr. Spencer of Wise.

Mr. Beard of Milam, for today, on
motion of Mr. Bryan.

Mr. Beason, until next Tuesday, on
motion of Mr. Smith of Scurry.

Mr. Nordhaus and Mr. Scholl, for to-
day, on motion of Mr. Burton of Tarrant.

Mr. Brown, for today, on motion of
Mr. Sholars.

Mr. Richards, for today, on motion of
Mr. Valentine.

Mr. Cates and Mr. Bland, for today,
on motion of Mr. Mendell.

Mr. Pope, for today, on motion of
Mr. Robertson.

Mr. Wahrmund, for today, on motion
of Mr. Miller of Austin.

Mr. Lowe of McMullen, for today, on
motion of Mr. Hartman.

Mr. Lange, for today, on motion of
Mr. Woodul.

Mr. Monday, for today, on motion of
Mr. Fisher.

Mr. O'Brien, for today, on motion of
Mr. Strayhorn.

The following members were granted
leaves of absence on account of sickness:

Mr. Hardey, indefinitely, on motion of
Mr. McFarland.

Mr. Reeves, indefinitely, on motion of
Mr. Baker of Hood.

Mr. Davis of Van Zandt, indefinitely,
on motion of Mr. Florer.

TENDERING USE OF HALL.

Mr. Mendell offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The citizens of Austin desire the use of this Hall next Tuesday night for the purpose of honoring Governor Ferguson, Lieutenant Governor Hobby and the members of the Legislature; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House, That the use of this Hall be tendered to the citizens of Austin for said occasion.

Signed—Mendell, Robertson.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

PROVIDING DESK FOR WARRANT CLERK.

Mr. Peddy offered the following resolution:

Whereas, It is necessary to purchase a desk for use of the warrant clerk in the office of the Chief Clerk; therefore,

Resolved, That the Contingent Expense Committee be authorized to secure a suitable desk for the purpose at a cost not to exceed \$30, to be paid for out of the contingent expense fund of the House.

Signed—Bryant, Peddy, Thomason of Nacogdoches, Canales.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

PROVIDING COMPENSATION FOR EXTRA ASSISTANT.

Mr. Cope offered the following resolution:

Whereas, In order to properly dispatch the extra amount of work at the beginning of the session, the Speaker has had to employ an experienced assistant; therefore, be it

Resolved, That said assistant be paid six dollars a day for his services rendered during the first five days of this session.

Signed—Cope, Low of Washington.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

PENITENTIARY AUDITING COMMITTEE.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee to audit the claims against the prison system:

Mr. Poage, chairman; Messrs. Reeves, Fairchild, Bryan, Metcalfe.

(Mr. Cope in the chair.)

The Speaker stated that, unless there was objection, the House would stand

at ease until the committee assignments are ready to be announced.

There was no objection offered.

(Speaker in the chair.)

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Speaker announced the following assignments to the standing committees of the House:

Committee on Rules:

Messrs. Spradley, chairman, Bryant, vice-chairman, McFarland, Bagby, Blackburn.

Judiciary Committee:

Messrs. Bryant, chairman, Williams of Brazoria, vice-chairman, Osborne, Moore, Robertson, Haidusek, Fisher, Woods, Schlosshan, Sholars, Bryan, Metcalfe, O'Banion, Carlock, Thompson of Red River, Hartman, Thomason of El Paso, Fitzpatrick, O'Brien, Templeton, Butler, De Bogory, Miller of Dallas, Smith of Scurry, Blackburn.

Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence:

Messrs. Williams of McLennan, chairman, Fisher, vice-chairman, Osborne, McCoy, Williford, Woodul, Jones, Woods, Fitzpatrick, Thompson of Red River, Beard of Harris, Holland, Spradley, Parks, Bagby, Morris, Dunnam, Schlesinger, Blackburn.

Committee on Appropriations:

Messrs. Peyton, chairman, Mendell, vice-chairman, Denton, Smith of Hopkins, Boner, Valentine, Woods, Terrell, Poage, Nordhaus, Thomas, Beasley, Cox, Hudspeth, Dodd, Seawright, Neeley, Davis of Grimes, Dudley, Low of Washington, Martin.

Committee on Revenue and Taxation:

Messrs. Neill, chairman, Crudginton, vice-chairman, Spradley, Peyton, Haidusek, Hawkins, Valentine, Woods, Peddy, Nichols, Pope, Richards, Cates, Bertram, Sentell, Williams of Brazoria, Sallas, Cope, Thompson of Red River, Scholl, McFarland.

Committee on State Affairs:

Messrs. Woodul, chairman, Hawkins, vice-chairman, Schlesinger, Carlock, Thompson of Hunt, Tilson, Fairchild, Tillotson, Estes, Greenwood, Davis of Dallas, Yantis, Meador, Trayler, Tinner, Cox, Stewart.

Committee on Constitutional Amendments:

Messrs. Terrell, chairman, Boner, vice-

SEVENTH DAY

(Tuesday, October 6, 1936)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Stevenson.

The roll of the House was called, and the following Members were present:

Mr. Speaker	Hanna
Adamson	Hardin
Adkins	Harper
Aikin	Harris of Archer
Alsup	Harris of Dallas
Ash	Hartzog
Atchison	Head
Bergman	Herzik
Bourne	Hill
Bradbury	Hodges
Bradford	Hofheinz
Bridgers	Holland
Broadfoot	Howard
Broyles	Huddleston
Burton	Hunt
Butler of Brazos	Hunter
Butler of Karnes	Hyder
Cagle	Jackson
Caldwell	James
Calvert	Jefferson
Canon	Jones of Atascosa
Celaya	Jones of Falls
Collins	Jones of Shelby
Colquitt	Jones of Wise
Colson	Keefe
Cooper	King
Cowley	Knetsch
Craddock	Lange
Crossley	Lanning
Daniel	Latham
Davis	Leath
Davison of Fisher	Lemens
Davisson	Lindsey
of Eastland	Lotief
Dickison	Lucas
Dunlap of Hays	Luker
Dunlap of Kleberg	Mauritz
Duvall	McConnell
Dwyer	McFarland
England	McKinney
Fain	Moffett
Farmer	Moore
Fisher	Morris
Ford	Morrison
Fox	Morse
Frazer	Newton
Fuchs	Nicholson
Gibson	Olsen
Glass	Palmer
Good	Patterson
Graves	Payne
Gray	Petsch
Greathouse	Pope
Hankamer	Quinn

Reader	Steward
Reed of Bowie	Stinson
Reed of Dallas	Stovall
Riddle	Tarwater
Roach of Angelina	Tennyson
Roach of Hunt	Thornton
Roane	Tillery
Roark	Venable
Roberts	Waggoner
Rogers	Walker
Russell	Wells
Scarborough	Westfall
Settle	Wood of Harrison
Shofner	Worley
Smith	Young
Spears	Youngblood
Stanfield	
Absent—Excused	
Alexander	McKee
Dunagan	Padgett
Hoskins	Rutta
Leonard	Sessions
McCalla	Wood of Montague

A quorum was announced present.

Rev. George W. Coltrin, Chaplain, offered the following invocation:

"Our Heavenly Father, surrounded by Thy blessings as we are, we come to Thee just now in prayer for our fellow-member, who so seriously ill. Wilt Thou bless him and his according to their need. Qualify us for the duties that await. In Christ's name. Amen."

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following Member was granted leave of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Rutta for today, on motion of Mr. Herzik.

The following Members were granted leaves of absence on account of illness:

Mr. Padgett for today, on motion of Mr. Ford.

Mr. Alexander for today, on motion of Mr. Gibson.

Mr. Sessions for today, on account of illness in his family, on motion of Mr. Fisher.

Mr. Leonard for today, on account of a death in his family, on motion of Mr. Walker.

Mr. Dunagan for today, on motion of Mr. Russell.

Mr. McCalla for today, on motion of Mr. Howard.

Mr. Hoskins and Mr. Wood of Montague were granted leaves of absence for yesterday afternoon and this

Committee on Municipal Corporations:

Messrs. Mendell, chairman, Burton of Tarrant, vice-chairman, Swope, Pillow, O'Banion, Carlock, Upchurch, Wahrmund, Holland, Nichols, Beard of Harris, Williams of McLennan, Miller of Dallas, Crudgington, Laney, Florer, Tillotson, McDowra, Dunnam.

Committee on Common Carriers:

Messrs. Williams of Brazoria, chairman, Yantis, vice-chairman, Bell, Davis of Grimes, Murrell, Woodul, Hudspeth, Burton of Tarrant, Martin, Wahrmund, Cope, Dudley, Roemer, Sholars, Richards, Taylor, Smith of Bastrop, Reeves, Hardey, Upchurch, Strayhorn.

Committee on Private Corporations:

Messrs. Low of Washington, chairman, Bagby, vice-chairman, Valentine, Monday, Lanier, Bell, Taylor, Blackburn, Beard of Harris, Bland, Bryant, Cates, Hartman, Jones, Spradley, Wilson, Clark.

Committee on Insurance:

Messrs. Pillow, chairman, Spradley, vice-chairman, Fairchild, Beason, Williams of McLennan, Robertson, Russell, Martin, Carlock, De Bogory, Cope, Roemer, Blackmon, Lange, Scholl, Richards, Lacey, Greenwood, Bryant, McMillin, Fly.

Committee on Agriculture:

Messrs. Bell, chairman, Metcalfe, vice-chairman, Denton, McCoy, Thomason of Nacogdoches, Smith of Hopkins, Cadenehead, Boner, Trayler, Tinner, Spencer of Nolan, Tilson, McDowra, Neill, Sallas, Scholl, Raiden, White, Miller of Austin, Laas, Terrell, Cope.

Committee on Commerce and Manufactures:

Messrs. Fly, chairman, Lacey, vice-chairman, Pillow, Carlock, Davis of Van Zandt, Dunnam, Hawkins, Laas, Laney, Lee, Lowe of McMullen, McDowra, McMillin, Miller of Dallas, Neeley, Nichols, O'Banion.

Committee on Mines and Mining:

Messrs. Beard of Milam, chairman, Baker, vice-chairman, Swope, Dudley, O'Brien, Lowe of McMullen, Peyton, Sallas, Sentell, Seawright, Smith of Hopkins, Strayhorn, Wilson.

Committee on Irrigation:

Messrs. Canales, chairman, Hardey, vice-chairman, Thomason of El Paso, Bryan, Beasley, McFarland, Morris, Blackburn, Metcalfe, Beason, Harris,

Bledsoe, Williams of Brazoria, Pope, Tilson, Woodul, Roemer, Smith of Seurry, Smith of Bastrop.

Committee on Forestry:

Messrs. Bedell, chairman, Scholl, vice-chairman, Lowe of McMullen, Butler, Woods, Reeves, Richards, Raiden, Peyton.

Committee on Game and Fisheries:

Messrs. Baker, chairman, Roemer, vice-chairman, Beason, Peddy, Lanier, Schlesinger, Pillow, Taylor, Raiden, Beasley, Hardey, Swope, Sackett, Lindemann, Hill, Metcalfe, McComb.

Committee on Labor:

Messrs. Taylor, chairman, Nordhaus, vice-chairman, Parks, Denton, Cope, Dodd, Burton of Tarrant, Cadenehead, Meador, Davis of Dallas, O'Banion, Johnson, Swope, Raiden, Smith of Bastrop, Reeves, Lange, Greenwood, Burton of Rusk, McComb, Spencer of Wise.

Committee on Banks and Banking:

Messrs. Fairchild, chairman, Brown, vice-chairman, Beason, Dudley, Dunnam, Thomas, Sackett, Lange, Sentell, Murrell, Baker, Lindemann, Morris, Lacey, Low of Washington, Veatch, Spencer of Wise, Crudgington, Miller of Dallas.

Committee on Liquor Traffic:

Messrs. McMillin, chairman, Davis of Van Zandt, vice-chairman, Haidusek, Dodd, Murrell, Reeves, Spencer of Wise, Spencer of Nolan, Cope, Russell, Florer, Bledsoe, Fly, Butler, Low of Washington, Martin, Smith of Bastrop, Thompson of Hunt, Seawright, Rogers, Tschoepe.

Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure:

Messrs. Carlock, chairman, McCoy, vice-chairman, Moore, Williams of McLennan, Williford, Robertson, Thompson of Hunt, Canales, Spencer of Nolan, O'Brien, Miller of Dallas, Dunnam, Rogers, De Bogory, Bagby, Bryant, Crudgington, Bledsoe, Templeton, Spencer of Wise, Schlosshan.

Committee on Internal Improvements:

Messrs. Jones, chairman, Trayler, vice-chairman, Canales, Murrell, Beard of Milam, Blalock, Burton of Tarrant, Beard of Harris, Swope, Laney, Davis of Dallas, Holland, Upchurch.

Committee on Supreme Judicial Districts:

Messrs. Moore, chairman, Davis of Dallas, vice-chairman, Butler, Johnson,

Mendell, Nichols, Poage, Williams of Brazoria, Thomas.

Committee on Congressional Districts:

Messrs. Peddy, chairman, Poage, vice-chairman, Bell, Harris, Spencer of Wise, Canales, Cadenhead, Beard of Milam, Hill, McFarland, Bertram, Boner, Burton of Rusk, Butler, Cates, Cox, Schlosshan, Sallas, Thomas, Tinner, Low of Washington, Fairchild.

Committee on Senatorial Districts:

Messrs. Johnson, chairman, Bertram, vice-chairman, Blackmon, Butler, Cope, Davis of Van Zandt, Estes, Hartman, Hawkins, Jones, Lacey, Lee, Lindemann, Low of Washington, Meador, Monday, Morris, Neill, Nordhaus.

Committee on Reforms in Criminal Procedure:

Messrs. Spencer of Wise, chairman, Williford, vice-chairman, Thompson of Hunt, Thomason of Nacogdoches, Swope, De Bogory, Holland, Miller of Dallas, Bagby, Nichols, Pope, Williams of McLennan, Mendell, Carlock, Fitzpatrick, McCoy, Rogers, Upchurch, Haidusek, Schlosshan, Neeley.

Committee on Counties:

Messrs. Hardey, chairman, McFarland, vice-chairman, Osborne, Sallas, Schlesinger, Tilson, Tschoepe, Upchurch, Veatch, Walker, White, Wilson, McMillin, Laas, Hudspeth, Haidusek, Bryant, Brown, Boner, Blackburn, Metcalfe.

Committee on Stock and Stock Raising:

Messrs. McFarland, chairman, Neill, vice-chairman, Templeton, Bland, Spradley, Martin, Dudley, Sackett, Harris, Bledsoe, Bell, Clark, Poage, Bryan, Bedell, Lowe of McMullen, Smith of Scurry, Metcalfe, Crudgington.

Committee on Juvenile Reforms:

Messrs. Florer, chairman, Miller of Dallas, vice-chairman, Beason, Yantis, White, Wahrmond, Veatch, Tschoepe, Laas, Johnson, Blalock, Davis of Grimes, Fisher.

RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Miller of Dallas, the House, at 11:45 o'clock a. m., took recess to 2 o'clock p. m. today.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 2 o'clock p. m., and was called to order by the Speaker.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS AND BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House joint resolutions and bills were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Nichols, Mr. Dodd; Mr. Bryan and Mr. Davis of Dallas:

H. J. R. No. 1, Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas by striking out and repealing Section 20 of Article 16 thereto, and substituting in lieu of said Section 20, a new Section 20, providing for the prohibition of the manufacture, sale, barter, exchange, or transportation within this State of intoxicating liquors except for specified purposes, and providing for enactment of laws to enforce this section, and providing for retention of present laws relating to liquor traffic now in force until modified or repealed.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Osborne and Mr. Miller of Dallas:

H. J. R. No. 2, To amend Section 10 of Article 1 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for certain rights of accused persons in criminal prosecutions and the manner in which the case may be prosecuted, and providing for the procuring of the witnesses for both defense and prosecution.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Clark:

H. J. R. No. 3, Proposing an amendment to Article 8 and known as Section 20, authorizing a graduated tax on farm and ranch land of this State, and specifying the rate of graduation, and making appropriation therefor.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Thompson of Hunt:

H. J. R. No. 4, Proposing an amendment to Section 2, Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to qualifications of voters in this State.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Butler, Mr. Davis of Dallas, and Mr. Miller of Dallas:

H. J. R. No. 5, Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State by adding to Article 16 thereof a new section to be known as Section 58, providing for the compensation of public officials.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Butler:

H. J. R. No. 6, Proposing to amend the Constitution of the State of Texas by amending Article 7 of Section 14 thereof, by repealing the provisions that prohibit the levy of the tax and appropriation of money out of the general revenue for the establishment and erection of the buildings of the University of Texas, fixing date of election hereunder, and making appropriation to pay expenses thereof.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Woods:

H. J. R. No. 7, Proposing an amendment to Section 1 of Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to taxation and revenue.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Beard of Milam:

H. J. R. No. 8, Proposing and submitting to a vote of the people of Texas an amendment to Section 11, Article 16, of the Constitution, providing for the rate of interest on all contracts and for the punishment of usury.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Baker, Mr. Beard, Mr. Beason, Mr. Blackmon, Mr. Boner, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Butler, Mr. Clark, Mr. Crudgington, Mr. Davis of Dallas, Mr. Raiden, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Spencer, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Templeton, Mr. Thompson of Hunt, Mr. Williford and Mr. Woods:

H. J. R. No. 9, Proposing to amend Section 2 of Article 6 of the Constitution of the State of Texas so as to authorize females to vote, and providing that the Governor shall submit the same to the qualified voters of Texas at the election to be held on the first Tuesday in November, 1918, and appropriating five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to pay the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Clark:

H. J. R. No. 10, Proposing an amendment to Section 50, Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, adding that the various counties of the State may by a majority vote of the qualified voters at an election called by

the commissioners court endorse the vendor's lien indebtedness of land purchased by home-owner under certain conditions and limitations and prescribing the manner of application, the duty of the county judge, tax assessor, and prescribing the manner of the endorsement of the commissioners court, and prescribing the duty of the State Commissioner of the General Land Office and specifying the fees to be charged and also specifying the minimum and maximum of said endorsement and designating two clearing houses for the sale of said notes, together with provisions as to occupancy and non-taxability.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Templeton:

H. J. R. No. 11, Providing for a constitutional convention and providing the date and place of same, and manner of holding election and appropriating funds sufficient to defray the expenses.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Terrell:

H. J. R. No. 12, Providing for a constitutional convention to assemble in the Hall of the House of Representatives, Austin, Texas, on the second Tuesday in August, 1917, for the purpose of forming a new Constitution for the State of Texas; prescribing the qualifications of electors and the manner of conducting the election; specifying the number of delegates and the manner and time of their election, and fixing their compensation; designating the returning officers and prescribing the manner of making returns; authorizing the Governor to issue the proclamation ordering said election, and making an appropriation to defray the expense of issuing and publishing said proclamation.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Beard of Milam, Mr. Miller of Dallas and Mr. Davis of Van Zandt:

H. J. R. No. 13, Proposing an amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, authorizing the levy and collection of an ad valorem county tax not to exceed 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of property for the maintenance of the public schools of the county, and authorizing the levy and collection of an ad valorem district tax not to exceed \$1.00 on the \$100 valuation of property for the

maintenance of the public schools of the district.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Morris and Mr. Dunnam:

H. J. R. No. 14, Proposing to amend the Constitution of the State of Texas by amending Article 16, Section 20 thereof, by striking out and repealing said section and substituting in lieu thereof a new section 20 prohibiting the manufacture for purposes of sale, barter or exchange, and the sale, barter and exchange of intoxicating liquors on and after the second Tuesday in January, 1919, within this State, except for medical, scientific and sacramental purposes; providing that the Legislature of the State shall pass efficient laws to enforce this section; providing that all laws in force when this amendment is adopted providing remedies, penalties or forfeitures in relation to the manufacture, sale, or transportation of intoxicating liquors, shall remain in full force and effect until modified or repealed; fixing the time for the election for the adoption or rejection of said proposed constitutional amendment on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D. 1918, at the next general election of this State; making certain provisions for said election and the ballots thereof and method of voting, directing issuance of a proclamation therefor, prescribing certain duties for the Governor of the State, and making an appropriation to defray the expenses of said election.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Butler, Mr. Tilson, Mr. Spencer of Wise, Mr. Cope, Mr. Dudley and Mr. Dodd:

H. J. R. No. 15, Proposing to amend the Constitution of the State of Texas by amending Section 2 of Article 6 of the Constitution by striking out and repealing said Section 2 and substituting in lieu thereof another Section 2; defining qualified electors in this State; prescribing where such electors may vote; fixing the time for the election for the adoption or rejection of said proposed constitutional amendment; making certain provisions for said election and the ballots thereof and method of voting; directing the issuance of proclamation therefor; prescribing certain duties for the Governor of the State, and making an appropriation to defray the expenses of said election.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Boner and Mr. Terrell:

H. J. R. No. 16, Proposing to amend Section 1, Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, authorizing the Legislature to exempt cotton and woolen factories from State taxes for a period of time not to exceed fifteen years, and authorizing counties, cities and towns to exempt any factory or factories from county or municipal taxes for a period of time not exceeding fifteen years, by a majority vote of the qualified property taxpaying voters of such county, city or town.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Boner, Mr. Terrell, Mr. Sholars, Mr. Hudspeth, Mr. Templeton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Burton of Rusk, and Mr. Peddy:

H. J. R. No. 17, Proposing to amend Section 1, Article 9, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to taxation.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Nichols and Mr. McDowra:

H. J. R. No. 18, Proposing to amend Section 24, Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to mileage and per diem of members of the Legislature, and consideration of bills and resolutions.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Templeton:

H. J. R. No. 19, Submitting a certain proposed amendment to Section 51, Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, giving power to the Legislature of the State to grant pensions to Confederate soldiers and their widows who came to Texas prior to January 1, 1912, and prescribe the form of ballot authorizing and directing the Governor to issue proclamation for said election, and providing that the election be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1917; directing the Secretary of State to publish copies of the proposed amendment in pamphlet form, to make publications required by the Constitution, and making an appropriation therefor, and also providing if the Governor should fail to issue the necessary proclamation, that it shall be the duty of the elec-

tion officers in the several polling places throughout the State to open the polls and conduct the election as prescribed by law for holding elections for the election of State officers, and to make the returns thereof, as required by the Constitution and the laws of this State.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Tillotson:

H. J. R. No. 20, Proposing to amend Sections 1, 2, 4, 5, 22 and 23, Article 4, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, changing the term of State officers from two to four years, fixing the salary of said officers, naming the time for said elections, and making appropriation to pay expenses of said election.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Moore:

H. B. No. 1, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 6174 of Chapter 1, Title 104, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, providing for the working of felony convicts within the prison walls and upon farms owned or controlled by the State and public works operated by the State, and providing for the working of short term (not over five years) men on the public county roads of the State, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith and especially Article 6231 of Chapter 2, Title 104, of the Revised Statutes of 1911."

Referred to Committee on Penitentiaries.

By Mr. Tillotson, Mr. Bland, Mr. Fly, Mr. Butler, Mr. Sackett, Mr. Bell, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Laney, Mr. Crudgington, Mr. Carlock, Mr. Baker, Mr. Florer, Mr. McFarland, Mr. Monday, Mr. Bledsoe, Mr. Fairchild, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Templeton, Mr. Nordhaus, Mr. Schlesinger, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Hardey, Mr. Miller of Austin, Mr. Haidusek, Mr. Scholl, Mr. Lowe of McMullen, Mr. Tilson, Mr. Valentine, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Burton, Mr. Reeves, Mr. McMillin, Mr. Beard of Harris, Mr. Martin, Mr. Thomason of El Paso, Mr. Wahrmond and Mr. Mendell:

H. B. No. 2, A bill to be entitled "An Act to establish a State Highway Department, creating a State Highway Commission and the office of State Highway Engineer; prescribing the duties of the members of the Commission and of the Engineer, and fixing the compensation of each; prescribing reciprocal du-

ties for the Commission and for the commissioners courts; directing the Commission to plan and adopt a comprehensive system of State highways, and to promote the construction thereof by co-operation with the counties and by the Commission; authorizing a policy of State aid to counties in road construction, and to the inauguration of a plan of rewards to the counties for the construction of the more durable types of highways; directing co-operation of the department with the Federal government in the utilization of any funds appropriated by Congress in aid of road construction in this State; authorizing the working of State prisoners on State highways under conditions that may be agreed upon by the Highway Commission and the Prison Commission and approved by the Governor; providing for the support of the department by State registration of all motor vehicles and motorcycles, and for the distribution to the counties of a part of the moneys received from such registration fees; providing for the furnishing of identification numbers to motor vehicles and motorcycles and prescribing penalties for the violation of the provision for registration and identification of such vehicle; making an appropriation to inaugurate the work of the department as provided in this Act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Tillotson:

H. B. No. 3, A bill to be entitled "An Act expressing the assent of the State of Texas to the provisions of an act of the Sixty-fourth Congress of the United States, approved July 11, 1916, providing for Federal aid in the construction of post roads in the States of the Union; authorizing the Texas Highway Commission to enter into all agreements and comply with all requirements necessary to co-operation with the United States Secretary of Agriculture in the administration of the said Act of Congress; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Holland and Mr. Stewart:

H. B. No. 4, A bill to be entitled "An Act defining 'mooching,' as knowingly soliciting any money or other thing of value from any other person who is a candidate for nomination or election in any primary or general election to any public office in this State,

as fixed by law, and within six months prior to such primary or election, for any barbecue, picnic, dance, ball or for any treat or treats, or for any public political gathering; making same unlawful; and defining 'boosting,' as knowingly soliciting any money or other thing of value from any other person, who is a candidate for nomination or election in any primary or general election, fixed by law, to any public office in this State, within six months prior to such primary or election, under the promise, pretense or indication to vote for such candidate or to in any way use his influence for such candidate in such primary or election; declaring same to be unlawful and deemed to be a misdemeanor, and prescribing punishment therefor; and making certain exceptions; and providing that all peace officers shall strictly enforce this Act; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections.

By Mr. Crudgington, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Clark:

H. B. No. 5, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 4779, Title 71, Insurance, Chapter 3 of the Revised Civil Statutes, 1911, providing for life insurance companies not organized under the laws of the State of Texas, to make, under oath, an annual report showing the amount of premiums collected during the year preceding and providing for the payment of occupation taxes to the State, and for the reduction of such occupation taxes in proportion to the amount of the Texas Legal Reserve invested in Texas real estate securities, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Clark:

H. B. No. 6, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prevent light and power companies, firms, businesses or corporations from purchasing, leasing, running or in any way acquiring other light and power companies, business, firm or corporation, and fixing a penalty."

Referred to Committee on Private Corporations.

By Mr. Valentine, Mr. Crudgington, Mr. Bryant, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Jones:

H. B. No. 7, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7805, of Chapter 1, of Title 130 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, relating to the

issuance of permits to foreign corporations, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Private Corporations.

By Mr. Boner and Mr. Terrell:

H. B. No. 8, A bill to be entitled "An Act regulating the sale of, and defining, agricultural seeds and mixed seeds; requiring their proper labeling; prohibiting mixture of seeds unless so labeled; providing for the collection of samples and their examination; defining noxious weeds and foreign matter; providing that certificate of analysis by the Commissioner of Agriculture shall be prima facie evidence in certain cases, and regulating the measure of damages, designating an officer for the enforcement of the law; providing for the expense and enforcement of the law, and fixing penalties for its violation."

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. O'Brien:

H. B. No. 9, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 5982 and 5988 of Title 96 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, relating to navigation districts, so as to provide that any navigation district, in addition to authority to levy taxes for interest and sinking fund upon bonds which may be voted, shall also be authorized to levy an additional tax not exceeding ten cents on the one hundred dollar valuation upon all property within such navigation district for the maintenance, upkeep and operation of said district and all improvements constructed by such district; and so as to provide the amount of the bond of the county treasurer as treasurer of a navigation district shall be fixed by the navigation and canal commissioners of such district at not less than twice the estimated amount of funds which will be in the hands of said treasurer at any time, except where bonds of said district are voted, in which event said treasurer shall execute an additional bond in twice the amount of such bond issue before receiving the proceeds thereof."

Referred to Committee on Irrigation.

By Mr. Tilson, Mr. Thompson of Hunt, Mr. Crudgington, Mr. Butler, Mr. Bell, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Hardey and Mr. Veatch:

H. B. No. 10, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the registration of land titles in this State; prescribing

the methods and procedure for registering deeds, mortgages and other liens, assignments, transfers, releases and other muniments of title; prescribing forms for application, registration certificates and providing for recording of the same; providing for registrars and examiners, the amount of their official bond, and prescribing their duties; prescribing penalties for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Moore and Mr. Fairchild:

H. B. No. 11, A bill to entitled "An Act to amend Article 1874 and Article 1875, Chapter 6, Title 37, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to citations by publication against a defendant who is a non-resident of the State, or who is absent from the State, or who is a transient person, or whose residence is unknown or who is the unknown heir of a deceased person."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Moore and Mr. Fairchild:

H. B. No. 12, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1905, Chapter 8, Title 37, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to the time when the answer in case of citation by publication shall be filed."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Mendell and Mr. Robertson:

H. B. No. 13, A bill to be entitled "An Act granting to the City of Austin certain land along the river front."

Referred to Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. Mendell and Mr. Bland:

H. B. No. 14, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1422, Title 27, of the Penal Code, relating to swindling."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Thomason of El Paso:

H. B. No. 15, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 172, Sections 1, 3, 19, 20, 21, 24, 52, 53, 54, 55, 57, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 67, 68, 71 and 95 of the General Laws of Texas, passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, and Sections 58 and 69 of the said Chapter 172 of said laws as amended by Chapter 138 of

the General Laws of Texas, passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, relating to irrigation, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Irrigation.

By Mr. Lee, Mr. Bertram, Mr. Clark and Mr. Schlosshan:

H. B. No. 16, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting manufacture or sale of broad vehicles of certain carrying capacity with tires of less than the prescribed width within the State of Texas, fixing penalties for the violation thereof; providing the time at which such act shall take effect, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. Lee:

H. B. No. 17, A bill to entitled "An Act requiring land owners who own a part of the purchase price on the land to render such land with the vendor lien indebtedness deducted from the value of said land, and requiring the owner of said land note, or other obligations against said land, to render said notes or obligations, and to register the same in the office of the clerk of the county court and providing a penalty for the failure so to do, which penalty forfeits the right of the holder of said notes from collecting the same in any court in this State, and repealing all other laws that conflict herewith."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Fitzpatrick:

H. B. No. 18, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Article 5217 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, requiring all the members of a jury to concur in the verdict, and to enact in its stead a new article, hereafter known by the same number, permitting a verdict in civil cases in the district court to be rendered when concurred in by nine or more jurors, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Dunnam and Mr. Spencer of Wise:

H. B. No. 19, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the legal and conventional or contractual interest rate in the State of Texas, and regulating and limiting the same; providing for the forfeiture of both principal and interest

upon any contract made, executed or delivered in violation thereof; providing penalties for the violation of the interest laws of Texas, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Parks and Mr. Beason:

H. B. No. 20, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the licensing of persons, firms and corporations engaged in pursuing, conducting or carrying on an electrical contracting business in the State of Texas, or installing any wires or electrical apparatus to convey electrical current for light, heat, power, or illumination, and to prevent the doing of such electrical work by persons, firms and corporations other than those licensed in accordance with the provisions of this act, and creating the office of the State Chief Electrical Inspector, and providing for his appointment, and prescribing his qualifications and defining his powers and duties, and providing for the payment of salaries for said State Chief Electrical Inspector, and his deputies, and all other expenses necessary to the maintenance of his office, and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Robertson:

H. B. No. 21, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the salaries of judges of the Supreme Court and the Court of Criminal Appeals and the judges of the Courts of Civil Appeals and of the district courts of this State, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Robertson:

H. B. No. 22, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the erection of a new building to be known as the State Judiciary Building in the city of Austin, Texas, naming the departments that shall occupy same, and making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act."

Referred to Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. Beason:

H. B. No. 23, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of operating and driving vehicles upon the public highways of this State, and providing that any person operating or driving any vehicle upon the public highways of this State shall keep to the right hand side of the center of such high-

way, defining the right hand side of highways as used in this act, providing for the manner of operating vehicles when passing other vehicles upon such highways, defining public highways as used in this act, regulating the speed of motor-driven vehicles when passing other vehicles on the public highways, regulating the use of headlights on vehicles, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Beason:

H. B. No. 24, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the use of automatic shotguns, automatic rifles and shotguns, known as pump guns, for the purpose of killing any of the wild game or game birds in this State, and prohibiting the use of any such firearms except on the premises of the owner thereof, fixing a penalty for violation of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Beason:

H. B. No. 25, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require livery stable keepers and proprietors of stage hacks and transfer lines to pay an annual occupation tax of twenty-five dollars, and fixing a penalty for any violation of the provisions of this act."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Cope:

H. B. No. 26, ~~A bill to be entitled~~ "An Act prohibiting the operation of a corporation for the dual purpose of owning, controlling or operating a cotton seed oil mill, and of owning, controlling or operating a public cotton gin; also prohibiting a corporation chartered for the purpose of operating a cotton seed oil mill from owning, controlling or operating, directly or indirectly, a public cotton gin in this State; providing suitable penalties, forfeitures and procedure for enforcing this act, prohibiting any interference with or restriction of competition in the sale, handling or marketing of cotton seed, giving all corporations engaged in the business of operating cotton seed oil mills that now own, control or operate public cotton gins nine months from the taking effect of this act to sell or otherwise dispose of their gin properties and interests, prohibiting domestic or foreign corporations having no legal authority or permit to do a ginning or cotton seed oil mill business to be in any manner engaged in or in any man-

ner interested therein in this State, or to own stock or any interest in any corporation, foreign or domestic, or joint stock association or partnership so engaged; providing penalties, punishments and procedure for all corporations and persons violating this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Laney:

H. B. No. 27, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the settlement, registration, transfer and assurance of title to land; to designate courts of land registration; to provide for the appointment and duties of registrars of title; to regulate proceedings to obtain registration of title; to authorize the adjudication of title; to prescribe the nature of certificates of title; to provide for the subsequent dealings with registered titles; to determine the legal effect of registration of title; to establish an assurance fund; to regulate the fees for registration of titles; to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Laney and Mr. Carlock:

H. B. No. 28, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1164 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas as amended by Chapter 102 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, found at page 156 of the printed session acts, relating to the employment or use of the stock, means, assets and other property of corporations, and declaring for what purposes the same may be used; penalizing the officers or agents or employees of such corporations or other organizations who wrongfully use the moneys, means or assets contributed thereto; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Private Corporations.

By Mr. Laney:

H. B. No. 29, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 12 of Chapter 5 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, enacted at the First Called Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature of Texas, entitled 'An Act regulating the business of co-operative savings and contract loan companies, defining such business, providing that all persons, firms, associations, joint stock companies and corporations engaged in such business shall be subject to the provisions hereof as provided; providing that corporations

to engage in the business of co-operative savings and contract loan companies may be chartered, defining the powers, duties and liabilities of such corporations and regulating the same; placing all such corporations, persons, firms, associations and joint stock companies under the supervision and control of the Commissioner of Insurance and Banking, as specified herein, providing certain duties of said officers relative thereto, and defining in what manner these duties shall be performed; creating offenses for violations thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Fly, Mr. Miller of Dallas, Mr. Laney, Mr. Mendell, Mr. Nordhaus, Mr. Davis of Dallas and Mr. Florer:

H. B. No. 30, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 6290, 6292, 6293, 6294, 6295, 6296, 6297, 6298, Chapter 1, Title 106, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas for 1911; making it the duty of the Texas State Board of Pharmacy to examine applicants for registration in the months of June and January of each year; prescribing the fees that may be charged for such examinations; making it unlawful for any person not licensed under the provisions of this act to conduct or manage any pharmacy, drug or chemical store, or other place of business for the retailing, compounding, or dispensing of certain drugs, or for the compounding of physicians' prescriptions; prescribing the percentage applicants for registration must make on examination; providing for the issuance of a life certificate to practice pharmacy by the said Board of Pharmacy; defining the term 'practice pharmacy'; providing for reciprocity with other States; providing for the renewal of certificates and the fee to be charged therefor; fixing a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act; amending Article 781, and repealing Articles 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 778 and 780 of Chapter 8, Title 12, of the Revised Criminal Statutes of the State of Texas for 1911, and all laws or parts of laws in conflict with this act."

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Dudley:

H. B. No. 31, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the county court of El Paso county for civil cases, to fix and prescribe the jurisdiction thereof, and to conform to such change in the juris-

diction of the county court of El Paso county, fixing the salaries of the judges of the county court of El Paso county, and of the county court of El Paso county for civil cases; providing for the appointment and election of the judges of said court hereby created; providing for the appointment of special judges and filling of vacancies in said office, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Mr. Miller of Dallas, Mr. Florer and Mr. Laney:

H. B. No. 32, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3903, Chapter 4, Title 58, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911 of the State of Texas, and as amended by Chapter 142 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, relating to the appointment of certain officers named in Articles 3881 and 3886 of the Revised Civil Statutes, of deputies or assistants in the performance of the duties of such officers where such assistants or deputies are necessary for the efficiency of the public service; providing for an application to be made by such officers to the county judge of the county for authority to appoint same; prescribing the issuance by the county judge of an order authorizing the appointment of such deputies or assistants; providing that the officer desiring such deputies or assistants shall make affidavit that such assistants or deputies are necessary for the efficiency of the public service; providing for the salary of the chief deputy, and the other deputies or assistants; providing that the order of the county judge granting such authority shall state the number of deputies or assistants; providing that the officer requesting said deputies or assistants shall fix their compensation; providing the maximum amount allowed for deputies in counties having population of 37,500 to 100,000; providing the maximum amount allowed deputies in counties having a population in excess of 100,000; and providing that, in counties in excess of 100,000 inhabitants, district attorneys of any district or county attorney is authorized, with the consent of the county judge of said county, to appoint two assistants in addition to his regular force, which two assistants shall not be required to possess same qualifications required by law for district and county attorneys; providing amount paid said deputies, also

providing for fifty dollars per month for necessary expenses, etc."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Laney, Mr. Miller of Dallas, Mr. Parks and Mr. Florer:

H. B. No. 33, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating for Dallas county an additional county court at law; providing a name therefor; prescribing the jurisdiction thereof; providing for the election and qualification of the judge thereof; fixing the judge's compensation; specifying the terms of said court; prescribing the fees to be collected by the judge thereof; prescribing the powers and duties of the judge thereof, etc."

Referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Mr. Laney, Mr. Miller of Dallas, Mr. Davis of Dallas, Mr. Parks and Mr. Florer:

H. B. No. 34, A bill to be entitled "An Act constituting the several district judges of counties of certain population a juvenile board of such county, and prescribing the powers and duties of such board, including the appointment by it of probation officers, and providing for the payment of compensation of such officers, and allowing the said district judges an additional salary, to be paid out of the general fund of such county."

Referred to Committee on Juvenile Reforms.

By Mr. Miller of Dallas:

H. B. No. 35, A bill to be entitled "An Act to establish and create a Criminal Judicial District of Dallas County, Texas, and to fix the territorial limits of said Criminal Judicial District, and to designate the Criminal District Courts that have jurisdiction in said Criminal Judicial District of Dallas county; to provide for the election, qualification, powers and compensation and expense of office of the Criminal District Attorney for said district; to provide for the appointment of assistants to the Criminal District Attorney, and to provide for their powers, duties and method of payment; and to provide for the present county attorney of Dallas county to assume the duties of and conduct the business of the Criminal District Attorney of Dallas county until his successor shall be elected and qualified, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Mr. Carlock:

H. B. No. 36, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a Commission of Appeals of Texas and to define the powers and duties thereof; and for the appointment of their stenographers and porter, and the furnishing of rooms for their use in the Capitol, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Carlock:

H. B. No. 37, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the use and operation of vehicles upon the public highways and elsewhere; to provide for the licensing, registration and identification of motor vehicles and for the payment of registration therefor; to provide for the licensing of persons operating motor vehicles, etc."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Carlock:

H. B. No. 38, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 1521, 1522, 1543, 1544 and 1526 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, as amended by the Acts of the Thirty-third Legislature, approved March 28, 1913, defining the original and appellate jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, and regulating the practice therein.

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Carlock, Mr. Williams of McLennan, and Mr. Thomason of El Paso:

H. B. No. 39, A bill to be entitled "An Act to relieve the crowded condition of the dockets of the Supreme Court by further regulating the mode in which, and the conditions on which, judgments of the Courts of Civil Appeals may be brought before the Supreme Court for revision, granting additional powers to the Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court and of the Courts of Civil Appeals, as incidental to the offices held by them, providing for compensation of certain justices of the Courts of Civil Appeals while acting as, herein provided; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Lange:

H. B. No. 40, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it a misdemeanor to kill or in any manner injure the winged quadruped known as the common bat, repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Lange:

H. B. No. 41, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to negotiable instruments and to establish a law uniform with such other States as have adopted the uniform negotiable instruments law; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Hawkins and Mr. Boner:

H. B. No. 42, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 116 of Chapter 96, Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-second Legislature, providing for the granting of teachers' certificates, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Pillow:

H. B. No. 43, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 1 and 2 of Chapter 20 of the Acts of the First Called Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature of Texas, 1915, relating to the pay of jail guards, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. O'Banion and Mr. Dunnam:

H. B. No. 44, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the inspection by State authorities of each privately owned institution in which citizens of the State of Texas and of other States are kept in confinement by private sanatoriums, private hospitals, private asylums, private orphanages, private reformatories, convents, monasteries, private academies, private colleges, or any other institution under any other name maintained by private individuals, corporations, churches, or charitable institutions within the State of Texas; providing for the means of the inspection thereof, providing for the liberation of certain citizens confined therein, and providing for the report of conditions found therein, and providing penalty for the violation of the provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Cox:

H. B. No. 45, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the killing of bob whites, quail or partridges in this State, and providing a penalty."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Metcalfe, Mr. Blackmon, Mr. Bryant and others:

H. B. No. 46, A bill to be entitled "An Act to establish a branch of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas in that portion of Western Texas lying west of the 98th meridian and north of the 30th parallel; providing for the location of such College, its government, and the control of its finances; defining its leading objects and prescribing generally the nature and scope of instruction to be given; providing for the instruction of all students of such College in military science and for the military discipline of all students; conferring upon the board of directors of said College the right of eminent domain; making necessary appropriations for the location, establishment and maintenance of said College, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Sallas, Mr. Templeton and Mr. Canales:

H. B. No. 47, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an emergency appropriation for the support and maintenance of the State Quarantine Station at Brownsville, Texas, and other points within the State for the remainder of the fiscal year ending August 31, 1917, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Metcalfe:

H. B. No. 48, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the protection of stock raisers, farmers and horticulturists; providing for the destruction of wolves and other wild animals; to make an appropriation therefor; to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

By Mr. Dunnam:

H. B. No. 49, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 41; of the Special Laws of the Regular Session of the Twenty-seventh Legislature, entitled 'An Act to create a more efficient road system for Coryell county, Texas, etc.,' as the same was amended

by an act of the Thirtieth Legislature, known as House bill No. 339, and as the same was amended by Chapter 62 of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature; providing that any citizen of Coryell county liable to road duty who shall pay to the county treasurer the sum of three dollars by the second Tuesday in February of each year shall be exempt from road duty for such year, and providing that any person liable to road duty who fails to pay such tax shall be required to pay the sum of one dollar for every day he fails to appear and work the road, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. Carlock, Mr. Burton of Tarrant and Mr. Walker.

H. B. No. 50, A bill to be entitled "An Act to establish and create a criminal district court for Tarrant county; to provide for the jurisdiction of, and procedure in, said court; to fix the time for holding the terms of said court; to provide for the appointment, election, qualification, duties, powers, and compensation of a judge of said court; depriving and divesting the district courts of Tarrant county of jurisdiction of all criminal cases; providing from and after the taking effect of this act for the transfer of all criminal cases from the district courts of the Seventeenth, Forty-eighth, and Sixty-seventh Judicial Districts of Tarrant county to the criminal district court of Tarrant county created by this act; providing that the County Attorney, the Sheriff, and the Clerk of the District Court of Tarrant county shall be the County Attorney, Sheriff and Clerk of the District Court, respectively, of the court created by this act, under the same rules and regulations as are now or may hereafter be prescribed by law for the government of such officials; providing for the fees to be received by such officers for such services; and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Mr. Pillow:

H. B. No. 51, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, of Chapter 9 of the General Laws of the First Called Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature of Texas, 1915, so as to regulate the time of service of firemen in cities of twenty-five thousand inhabitants or more, according to the last United States census, and providing for

a two-platoon system in fire departments in such cities, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. Tilson:

H. B. No. 52, A bill to be entitled "An Act to exempt from taxation all buffalo and catalo now in captivity in Texas, by whomsoever owned, where such animals are kept and used for experimental purposes in crossing same with cattle for the purpose of producing a better strain of beef cattle, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Thompson of Hunt, Mr. Tilson, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Davis, Mr. Veach, Mr. Crudgington, Mr. Miller of Dallas, Mr. Neeley, Mr. Baker, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Bertram, Mr. Spencer of Wise and Mr. Dodd:

H. B. No. 53, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the holding of primary elections in this State; providing for the nomination by political parties of candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States, electors, delegates to national conventions and national executive committee-men; providing for the nomination of candidates for United States Senator, Representatives in Congress, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and all State, district, county and precinct officers; providing dates, places and methods for holding primary elections, and designating person to hold the same; providing for defraying the expense of such elections; prescribing the form of ballots to be used therein, the method by which candidates may have their names printed thereon, and the order in which said names shall appear; providing regulations for holding said election, and prescribing the qualifications of voters therein; providing the method for counting the votes and making returns of said elections; providing for majority nominations of candidates, and the date and method for counting the votes and making returns of said election; providing for the holding of precinct, county, district and State conventions, and for declaring the results of all primary elections; providing methods for contesting nominations in primary elections; providing methods for enforcing the provisions of this act, repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections.

By Mr. Burton of Tarrant, Mr. Nordhaus and Mr. Parks:

H. B. No. 54, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate private employment agencies, defining certain terms used in the act; prohibiting the opening, keeping, maintaining or carrying on of an employment agency without first procuring a license therefor; prescribing the application to be made to the Commissioner of Labor Statistics by persons wishing to conduct private employment agencies; authorizing the Commissioner of Labor Statistics to cause an investigation to be made as to the character and responsibility of applicant, prohibiting conducting private employment agencies in certain places, authorizing the Commissioner of Labor Statistics to revoke the license of any private employment agency for violation of any of the provisions of the act; providing that a revocation of the license of such private employment agency shall not affect proceedings in the court for criminal prosecution nor a suit that may be brought against the sureties on the bond of such private employment agencies; providing that the ruling of the Commissioner of Labor Statistics in hearings for the revocation of license shall be final except under certain conditions; prescribing a form for license and prohibiting the transfer or assignment of such license without the consent of the Commissioner of Labor Statistics, fixing the license fee to be charged, and also the fee for renewal thereof; prescribing the amount of bond to be furnished by such private employment agencies and the conditions thereof; providing that all moneys collected for license and fines under the provisions of this act shall be set aside in a separate fund to be used by the Commissioner of Labor Statistics in the enforcement of this act and the regulation of licensed employment agencies and that all moneys remaining in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall be transferred to the school fund; requiring all licensed private employment agencies to keep a correct register of all applicants for help and employment to be approved by the Commissioner of Labor Statistics, and to make monthly reports of the business transacted by such agency to the Commissioner of Labor Statistics; authorizing the Commissioner of Labor Statistics or

any of his deputies or inspectors to examine all records, registers, papers, books or other documents kept by such licensed private employment agencies; providing that all blank books, report blanks be furnished such private employment agencies at cost; requiring all licensed private employment agencies to issue a receipt to every applicant from whom a fee is received, and prescribing the form of such receipt, prohibiting licensed employment agencies from accepting or collecting a fee from any applicant without a bona fide order from an employer that he will furnish such employment; providing for refund to applicants for employment upon failure to secure employment; prohibiting the publication of any false, fraudulent or misleading information; prohibiting the sending of females or minors to immoral places or to places where intoxicating liquors are sold or consumed; prohibiting the acceptance of an application or procuring employment from a child in violation of the child labor law; requiring that applicants for employment being sent to places where labor troubles exist shall be fully informed of the existing condition; fixing the maximum amount of fees that may be charged for procuring help or employment; providing penalties for violation of the provisions of this act; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict with the act."

Referred to Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Osborne:

H. B. No. 55, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Title 8, Chapter 2, Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas, by adding to said Chapter 2 two sections to be known as Section 657a and Section 657b, providing for waiver of death penalty by county or district attorney with consent of court, and providing for formation of jury and procedure in the trial when death penalty is waived."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Criminal Procedure.

By Mr. Davis of Van Zandt:

H. B. No. 56, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 7427, 7428, 7429, 7430, Title 126, Chapter 5, Revised Civil Statutes, which fix occupation taxes on wholesale and retail liquor dealers and retail malt dealers; defining wholesale and retail liquor dealers and retail malt dealers; requiring licenses of retail liquor and malt dealers and

declaring that no person, firm or corporation shall sell intoxicating liquors in any quantity at wholesale without first having paid the prescribed tax, or at retail without having qualified as retail liquor dealers, or retail malt dealers; repealing Article 7431, Chapter 5, Title 126, Revised Civil Statutes, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Liquor Traffic.

By Mr. Nichols and Mr. Thompson of Hunt:

H. B. No. 57, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 60 of the Acts of the Thirty-third Legislature, passed at its Regular Session and approved March 20, 1913, providing for a special road law for Hunt county, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. Burton of Tarrant, Mr. Nordhaus and Mr. Parks:

H. B. No. 58, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting the employment of children under fifteen years of age to labor in certain occupations, prohibiting the employment of children under seventeen years of age to labor in certain occupations, prohibiting the sending of children under seventeen years of age to certain places, limiting the hours of labor for children under seventeen years of age, providing for permits to be issued by the county judge for children between the ages of twelve and fifteen years to labor in certain occupations and under certain conditions, requiring employers employing children between the ages of twelve and fifteen years to secure and post permit where child is employed, providing how such permits may be secured, giving the Commissioner of Labor Statistics or his deputies or inspector free access to all places where children or minors are employed; providing penalties for the violation of the act, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict with the act."

Referred to Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Laney:

H. B. No. 59, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7394, Chapter 3, of Title 126 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, in reference to franchise taxes."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Neeley:

H. B. No. 60, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Title 64, Chapter 16, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, relating to guardianship of persons of unsound mind and habitual drunkards so as to add thereto Articles 4245a and 4245b, providing for the partition and distribution of the estates of persons of unsound mind by their lawful heirs at law, where it is made to appear that such person of unsound mind is permanently insane and that the estate of such person consists of property of greater value than is necessary for the support and maintenance of such person of unsound mind, out of the income and profits thereof, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Wilson:

H. B. No. 61, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Palo Pinto Independent School District in Palo Pinto county, Texas, for free school purposes, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Nordhaus, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Valentine, Mr. Beason, Mr. Butler, Mr. Miller of Austin, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Beard of Harris, Mr. Canales, Mr. Mendell, Mr. Cates, Mr. Bryant, Mr. Templeton and Mr. Bland:

H. B. No. 62, A bill to be entitled "An Act to define and regulate the practice of optometry; to create a board of examiners; to provide for examination of applicants and issuance of license and certificates of exemption; to prescribe the qualifications of applicants; to fix fees and require payment into general fund; to authorize employment of counsel; to provide for the registration of optometrists and the revocation of their license; to require license and certificate displayed; to prescribe manner of practice outside of principal office; to prohibit advertising as doctor; to exempt physicians and persons selling eyeglasses as merchandise; to fix penalties; to repeal all laws in conflict, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Pope:

H. B. No. 63, A bill to be entitled "An Act granting to the city of Corpus Christi, Texas, all right, title and interest of the State of Texas to certain

land lying and being situated under the waters of Corpus Christi bay; and granting to said city of Corpus Christi the right, power and authority to construct, own and maintain certain sea walls, breakwaters and dams, and to fill in the space between the main land and said sea walls, breakwaters and dams, with sand dredge, spoil or other material; and granting to the city of Corpus Christi the right to take from Corpus Christi bay such sand, dredge, spoil or other material as may be necessary or desirable for filling in said space; and authorizing said city of Corpus Christi to remove and abate any encroachments or structure existing on said property east of the line; fixing the limit, riparian rights and to bring suit or suits as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and granting to said city of Corpus Christi the right to fix a shipping district and to purchase, construct, own and maintain piers and wharves, and to grant franchises therefor into the waters of Corpus Christi bay beyond said sea walls, breakwaters and dam upon vote of the people of the said city; also fixing the rights of the riparian owners, and granting the right of eminent domain and reserving all mineral rights to the State, requiring two dollars per acre to be paid for said land, and the disposing of said funds; fixing the time to begin construction, and providing for ratification."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Pope:

H. B. No. 64, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 68 of the Acts of the Thirty-second Legislature and Chapter 154 of the Acts of the Thirty-third Legislature, and to provide that sand and other deposits taken for the raising of the grade of the salt flats in the northern part of Corpus Christi and the lowlands lying north of the north boundary line of the city of Corpus Christi, in Nueces county, Texas, shall be exempt from the provisions of said Chapter 68, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Pope:

H. B. No. 65, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Eightieth Judicial District of Texas, to be composed of Nueces county, Texas; to fix the jurisdiction of said district court in said district and the terms of court in said district; to provide for a judge thereof,

and for a district attorney; to limit the existence of said court; to fix the time of holding the terms of court in said district; to empower the judge of the Eightieth Judicial court created by this act and the judge of the Twenty-eighth Judicial District in Nueces county to transfer causes from their respective dockets to the dockets of the other courts in said Nueces county; to provide for the transfer of causes pending on the docket of the Twenty-eighth Judicial District to the docket of the Eightieth Judicial District created by this act; to provide that the district clerk and sheriff elected in Nueces county, Texas, and their successors in office, be also the officers of the Eightieth Judicial District created by this act and the Twenty-eighth Judicial District as it now exists; and providing for the return of all process and for the validation of the same issued or to be issued out of either the Twenty-eighth Judicial District court in and for Nueces county, Texas, or for the Eightieth district court created by this act; to provide for the appointment of a judge for the said Eightieth Judicial District; to provide for a district attorney for said Eightieth Judicial District, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Mr. Pope:

H. B. No. 66, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Title 133 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, by adding thereto Articles 7837a, 7837b, 7837c, 7837d, 7837e, 7837f, 7837g and 7846a; prohibiting the use of the vara in making public and private land surveys, and providing a unit of linear measure for the purpose, providing punishment for violations of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Pope:

H. B. No. 67, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1753, Chapter 2, Title 35, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, making the county clerk ex-officio clerk of the commissioners court, and as such prescribing his duties, providing for pay for publications of the minutes of the commissioners court, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Pope:

H. B. No. 68, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require the Governor of Texas to appoint an inspector of hides

and animals in Nueces county, Texas, and to place said county under the provisions of Articles 7256 to 7304, both inclusive, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, and providing for fees for inspector appointed by Governor, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

By Mr. Pope:

H. B. No. 69, A bill to be entitled "An Act to define and regulate the business of abstracting titles to real estate; to create a board of abstract examiners for the examination of abstract plants, and licensing of persons, firms, or corporations, to carry on the business of abstracting titles for real estate; to provide for a record of the proceedings of the said board; to provide for the annual inspection of the plant of abstracters of titles to real estate; to provide fees for examining and inspecting said plants, and compensation for the members of the board of abstract examiners; to give abstracters of titles access to the county records; to make abstracts of title to real estate admissible in evidence; to fix suitable penalties for copying abstracts of title to real estate and for the violation of the provisions of this act; providing for uniform certificates and bonds, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Pope:

H. B. No. 70, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the measuring, counting, carrying, grading, weighing or classing of any oil, cotton, wool, sugar, hides, wood, coal, grain, live stock, fruits, vegetables, farm products, or other thing, article or commodity sold, stored, pledged, bartered, given in payment, or offered for sale, exchange, storage, shipment or delivery, providing that each incorrect measure, count, weight, grade, or class, shall constitute a separate offense, authorizing the inspection of the books or accounts of the person measuring, counting, carrying, grading, weighing or classing said articles or commodities, and repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith, prescribing a penalty for violation of the same, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Pope:

H. B. No. 71, A bill to be entitled "An Act regulating the purchase of junk by persons engaged as junk dealers or in

junk business; providing for uniform affidavits of junk sellers and for same to be kept in well-bound book, subject to inspection of the public; providing punishment for the violation of same; and repealing all laws in conflict with the provisions of this act; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Pope:

H. B. No. 72, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment, maintenance and government of a State normal college to be located at Corpus Christi, Nueces county, Texas, and to be known as the South Texas State Normal College, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Burton of Tarrant:

H. B. No. 73, A bill to be entitled "An Act declaring it the duty of the owner entitled to the beneficial use, rental or control of, or in case of a non-resident, the occupant lessee of any building, three or more stories in height, constructed, used or intended to be used, as a hospital, seminary, college, academy, school house, dormitory, hotel, lodging house, apartment house, rooming house, boarding house, theater, or any place of public amusement, lodge, hotel, or any hall used for public gatherings or any manufacturing establishment or industrial plant, wholesale or retail store, workshop, warehouse, office building and any building, erected by any municipal, county or State authority, wherein public assemblies are permitted, or sleeping apartments are provided on any floor above the second to erect and fix to every such building one or more adequate fire escapes; defining an adequate fire escape; as required by this act, providing for the promulgation of specifications for each type of fire escape permitted by the terms hereof by the fire marshal of the State Fire Insurance Commission; and making it the duty of said fire marshal to enforce the provisions of the act with the assistance of fire chiefs and city fire marshals, as required by this act; providing how notice shall be given to any owner, occupant, or lessee to erect fire escapes; providing remedies and penalties with regard to the enforcement thereof, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 74, A bill to be entitled "An Act appropriating the sum of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, out of the general revenue, not otherwise appropriated to pay the per diem and mileage of members of the Legislature and to pay the salaries and per diem of officers and employees of the Thirty-fifth Legislature of the State of Texas; providing the manner of approval and payment, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 75, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the appointment of a joint committee from the House and Senate to investigate fully the subject of taxation within this State, including the advisability of segregating the subjects of taxation, to the end that the taxes for the support of the State government may be collected from certain classes of property and those for the support of the county government may be collected from other classes of property, the propriety of classifying the various subjects of taxation, the levy of an income tax, the means of reducing the cost of collecting the public revenue; and providing for the payment of the per diem and expenses of such committee, its clerical assistance and other proper expenses, and to provide and pay for the publication and distribution of this report."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 76, A bill to be entitled "An Act to appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, out of the general revenue, not otherwise appropriated, to pay the contingent expenses of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature of the State of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 77, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Supreme Court to prescribe forms and rules and generally to regulate pleading, practice and procedure in the courts of the State of Texas, and providing that as such rules are promulgated, all laws in conflict

therewith shall be of no further force or effect."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 78, A bill to be entitled "An Act to remove clouds from titles to lands arising from claims for back taxes, and to authorize the Comptroller of the State of Texas or the tax collector of any county to issue certificates showing the payment of back taxes upon presentation of evidence that such taxes have been paid."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 79, A bill to be entitled "An Act to fix the status of checks or drafts when the maker or drawer thereof shall have died between the date of such check or draft and its presentation for payment."

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Williford, Mr. Crudgington and Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 80, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 4644 and 4645, Title 69, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, relating to appeals in the granting, refusing to grant, dissolving and refusing to dissolve injunctions; and providing that transcript may be filed in the Court of Civil Appeals not later than twenty days after the entry of such order or judgment of record, and providing for giving appellee copy of brief."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Valentine, Mr. Scholl, Mr. Canales and Mr. Templeton:

H. B. No. 81, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 7407, 7408, 7409, 7410, 7411, 7412 and 7413 of Chapter 4, Title 126, Revised Statutes of Texas, 1911, entitled 'State Intangible Tax Board'; creating a State Tax Board; prescribing and defining the qualifications, bond, oath, powers, authority and duty of said board and the members thereof; providing for the appointment of members of said board; giving it power to equalize taxes among the counties of Texas; dividing the State into ten districts for meetings of said board with assessors of said districts; giving the board power to appoint a secretary and stenographer; prescribing remedies and penalties for vio-

lations of the provisions of this act; continuing in full force and effect any and all assessments, findings, judgments, certificates, orders and proceedings of said State Tax Board; fixing the salaries of members of said board and its employes; making certain appropriations to carry out the provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation:

By Mr. Holland:

H. B. No. 82, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring all superintendents of police, chiefs of police and marshals of all cities in this State having more than five thousand inhabitants, according to the last United States census report, to execute a bond before entering upon their official duties, and providing amount, conditions and regulations of same; and providing that a certified copy shall be filed in the office of county clerk and recorded in the county in which such city is located, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. Holland:

H. B. No. 83, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 4, Title 86, Articles 5644, 5645, 5646, 5647, 5648, 5649, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, and the General Laws of the State of Texas, Acts of the Thirty-third Legislature, A. D. 1913, Chapter 80, page 151, relating to liens of accountants, bookkeepers, artisans, craftsmen, factory operators, mill operators, servants, mechanics, quarrymen, common laborers and farm hands; providing same to apply to all persons performing any kind of labor or personal service, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Butler, Mr. Upchurch, Mr. Miller of Dallas, Mr. Blalock, Mr. Spencer of Wise, Mr. Burton of Rusk, Mr. Tilson, Mr. Clark, Mr. Cadenhead, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Neeley, Mr. Poage and Mr. Crudgington:

H. B. No. 84, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Article 5217, Title 75, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, relating to verdicts of juries."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Burton of Tarrant and Mr. Nordhaus:

H. B. No. 85, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring the employment of citizens of the United States on public work, providing that any violation of the act shall render all contracts with the State, county or municipality void, requiring all boards, officers, agents or employes of the State, county or municipalities, having the power to enter into contracts for public work, to file in the office of the Commissioner of Labor Statistics the names and addresses of all contractors having a contract with the State, county or municipality, requiring all contractors holding contracts with the State, county or municipality to furnish the Commissioner of Labor Statistics with the name and addresses of all sub-contractors on public works, requiring all contractors to keep a list of all employes, stating whether they are natural born or naturalized citizens of the United States, and providing that all such lists shall be open to the inspection of the Commissioner of Labor Statistics, providing penalties, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Beard of Harris:

H. B. No. 86, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1507 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, 1911, so as to permit boxing contests of not over ten rounds, when held under the auspices of athletic clubs, chartered by the laws of this State, maintaining well equipped gymnasiums, in cities of over twenty-five thousand population, determined by the last United States census."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Thompson of Hunt:

H. B. No. 87, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that all candidates for nomination in primary elections shall have their campaign expenses limited; providing for reports from all candidates as to selecting of their campaign committees; prescribing the persons who may make disbursements for such candidate, and defining the purposes for which disbursements may be made; providing for reports of all receipts, disbursements and financial obligations made in the interest of such campaign by candidates and their campaign committees, and to whom such reports are to be made, and prescribing

ing the nature of the same; providing that the name of no candidate shall be printed upon the official ballot who fails to make such reports; specifying sums candidates and their campaign committees may expend in their campaign for nomination to office; defining violations of this act, and prescribing penalties therefor; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections.

By Mr. Thompson of Hunt:

H. B. No. 88, A bill to be entitled "An Act repealing Chapter 6, Title 65, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas (1911), providing for the election of a Commissioner of Agriculture, fixing his compensation, prescribing his duties, etc."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Nichols and Mr. Laney:

H. B. No. 89, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize any interurban railway company to lease its tracks and roadbed to any railroad company whose line or lines do not parallel, or are not competing with such interurban line or lines, for the purpose of transportation and delivery of freight, providing that such railroad companies may enter into such lease contracts, prescribing conditions and terms for such lease contracts, requiring that they be supervised and improved by the Railroad Commission, providing that lessor interurban company shall not be deemed a carrier of freight, and the lessee railroad company shall be subject to the Railroad Commission; providing that the transportation of freight by the lessee railroad company shall be subservient to the transportation of passengers, mail, express and other business of the lessor interurban company, and providing that any such contracts made between an interurban company, not under and by virtue of this act shall be null and void."

Referred to Committee on Common Carriers.

By Mr. Holland:

H. B. No. 90, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 917, 918, 919, 920 and 921, of Chapter 5, Title 22, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, of 1911; providing and regulating the practice in corporation courts; and providing for appeal of cases tried therein; and provided that no court costs shall be as-

sessed in any case in such courts in cities having more than fifty thousand inhabitants against defendants; the last United States census report to govern numbering inhabitants; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Holland:

H. B. No. 91, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that in all suits of mandamus or injunction against any person holding any public office in this State, and in his official capacity, after final trial and judgment in the trial court, and after notice of appeal to the Court of Appeals or Supreme Court has been given, should such person vacate such office, such suit shall not abate; providing that his successor may be a party to such suits, by motion, and providing for costs, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Osborne:

H. B. No. 92, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the taking of fish from any streams in this State that are not public waters of the State, in any manner except ordinary hook and line or trot line, and exempting certain counties."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Osborne:

H. B. No. 93, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Title 10, Code of Criminal Procedure, providing that appeal bonds or recognizances shall remain in full force and effect in case of reversal by Court of Criminal Appeals until case has been finally disposed of by lower court."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Criminal Procedure.

By Mr. Laney:

H. B. No. 94, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring persons handling pistols to secure a license therefor, to pay an occupation tax thereon, and to keep a record of all pistol transactions, and providing penalties for violations of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Laney:

H. B. No. 95, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of

dentistry, or dental surgery, in the State of Texas, providing for the examination and registration of persons desiring to practice dentistry, prescribing the qualifications of the board of examiners, prescribing fees that may be charged for registration, making it unlawful for any person not licensed under the provisions of this act to practice dentistry, defining a reputable dental college or school, providing for registration of persons who have been engaged in the practice of dentistry in other States, for revocation of license granted by the board of examiners upon satisfactory evidence of misconduct on the part of the licensee, for the exhibition of his or her license by persons engaged in the practice of dentistry, prohibiting any persons from advertising or soliciting business under any other than his own or her proper and legal name, prescribing fees to be charged by the board of examiners for examination fees, penalties for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict with this act."

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Woods and Mr. Williford:

H. B. No. 96, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 918 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1911, relating to the giving of recognizances on appeal by providing that in case the defendant shall fail to enter into recognizance during the term of court at which he was tried, he may be permitted to give bail and obtain his release from custody by giving, after the expiration of such term of court, his bail to the sheriff, in an amount fixed by the court."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Criminal Procedure.

By Mr. Burton of Tarrant and Mr. Nordhaus:

H. B. No. 97, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the Commissioner of Labor Statistics to establish free employment bureaus, to rent or lease suitable offices, incur necessary expense for their operation, appoint the necessary managers and assistants, fixing their salaries, and to promulgate rules and regulations for the conduct of free employment agencies, prohibiting the charging or collection of fees to applicants for employment for help, requiring the managers of free employment bureaus to keep a record of all applicants for help or employment and transmit same to the Commissioner of Labor Statistics, au-

thorizing the Commissioner of Labor Statistics to advertise for help or employment; defining the terms applicant for employment and applicant for help, making an appropriation for carrying out the purposes of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Richards:

H. B. No. 98, A bill to be entitled "An Act prescribing the situs of notes and other monetary obligations, for the purposes of taxation; providing where the same shall be rendered and assessed for taxation; providing that suits shall not be entertained by the courts of this State unless it shall be shown in the pleadings and proof therein that all taxes have been paid as required by this and other laws, accruing between the date of the execution of such obligation and the date of the filing of the suit; repealing laws in direct conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Boner:

H. B. No. 99, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the renting of real estate and city, town and village resident property, limiting the amount of rental charges for same, imposing certain duties upon the county tax assessor as to assessment of real estate and city, town and village resident property which are rented or leased to a tenant, providing a penalty, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Boner, Mr. Metcalfe, Mr. Monday and Mr. McComb:

H. B. No. 100, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Chapter 123 of the General Laws of the State of Texas passed by the Thirty-fourth Legislature at its Regular Session, being 'An Act to amend Chapter 6, Title 13, of the Penal Code of Texas of 1911, inserting after Article 889 two new articles to be known as Article 889a and Article 889b, fixing the closed season for killing doves, bob whites, quail or partridges in this State,' and to amend Article 886 of the Penal Code of Texas of 1911, relating to the protection of certain useful birds, so as to prohibit them from being killed for the next five years, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Boner:

H. B. No. 101, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the ginning business, to set a uniform price for the ginning and wrapping of cotton; to regulate the price for the handling of the wrapping and ties; empowering the Warehouse and Marketing Commission to enforce this act and to have general and special supervision over the ginning business in this State; providing for penalty, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

By Mr. Thomason of El Paso:

H. B. No. 102, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 3003 and 3007 of Chapter 7, Title 49, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1911, relating to officers of election assisting a voter in preparing his ballot; and also amending Article 258, Chapter 2, Title 6, of the Revised Penal Code of Texas of 1911, so as to provide a penalty for the violation of said articles of the Revised Civil Statutes as the same are hereby amended."

Referred to Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections.

By Mr. Dudley and Mr. Thomason of El Paso:

H. B. No. 103, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the construction of and make an appropriation for the construction of a main building, chemical laboratory building, dormitory and power house for the School of Mines of the State of Texas, located in El Paso, Texas, and to make an appropriation of all funds collected from insurance on the burned buildings of said School of Mines for said purpose, and for furnishing, equipping and maintaining said School of Mines, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Wilson:

H. B. No. 104, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1255, Chapter 3, Title 17, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, as revised and adopted in 1911, so as to prohibit any person from entering upon the enclosed lands of another without the consent of the owner or person in charge and therein hunting with firearms or fishing or trapping or otherwise depredating upon the same, and prescribing punishment therefor."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Burton of Rusk and Mr. Veatch:

H. B. No. 105, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7382, Title 126, Chapter 2, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, so as to exempt from taxation upon gross receipts in cities and towns of five thousand population or less, as given by the last Federal census, each and every individual, company, corporation or association owning, operating, managing or controlling any telephone line or lines or any telephones within this State and charging for the use of same."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Richards, Mr. Fairchild and Mr. Spencer of Wise:

H. B. No. 106, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide how real estate shall be assessed for taxation in this State, by providing that the true taxable value thereof as against the holder of the legal title shall be the excess thereof over the amount of valid, recorded, outstanding liens there against, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Bell, Mr. Crudgington and Mr. Templeton:

H. B. No. 107, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the protection of stock raisers, farmers and horticulturists; providing for the destruction of wolves and other wild animals; to make an appropriation therefor, and repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

By Mr. Miller of Dallas:

H. B. No. 108, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 71 of the General Laws of the State of Texas to permit insurance companies to invest in stocks of banks organized under the laws of the State of Texas."

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Miller of Dallas:

H. B. No. 109, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1162 of Chapter 3, Title 25, of the Revised Statutes of 1911, conferring on corporations the power to borrow money, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Private Corporations.

By Mr. Jones and Mr. Crudgington:

H. B. No. 110, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1521 of the Revised Statutes of 1911, as amended by an act of the Thirty-third Legislature of Texas, approved March 28, 1913, and entitled 'An Act to amend Articles 1521, 1522, 1543, 1544 and 1526 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, defining the original and appellate jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, and regulating practice therein,' the purpose of the amendment being to eliminate from Article 1521, as so amended, Section or subdivision 6 thereof."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Williams of McLennan:

H. B. No. 111, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate, control and license pool halls and billiard halls in the State of Texas and to provide for bond of the keepers of such halls before license will be issued, and making it a misdemeanor to operate such halls without complying with the terms hereof, and providing punishment for running or operating such halls without first obtaining a license, to repeal Chapter 74 of the General Laws of Texas of the Thirty-third Legislature passed in 1913."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Veatch and Mr. Taylor:

H. B. No. 112, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make it discretionary with the teachers of the public schools of Texas as to whether they will attend county teachers' institutes, and to forbid payment from the available school funds for such attendance."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Tillotson, Mr. Woods, Mr. Sackett and Mr. Baker:

H. B. No. 113, A bill to be entitled "An Act defining and classifying the civil service of this State, such counties and municipalities as may adopt the provisions of this act, as herein provided; creating a Civil Service Commission, and prescribing who shall appoint and how the same shall be appointed, and defining and prescribing the duties, powers and authority of such Civil Service Commission; creating and defining rules and regulations governing the civil service of the State, and such counties and municipalities as may adopt the pro-

visions of this act; conferring upon the Civil Service Commission the right and authority, and making it the duty of such Commission to adopt such rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the law, as may be necessary for carrying out and putting into effect the terms and provisions of this act; regulating the employment, terms, promotion and discharge of certain officers and employees of this State, and such counties and municipalities as may adopt the provisions of this act, as provided under the Civil Service Commission, and exempting certain officers and employees from the provisions of this act; fixing the salary of the Civil Service Commissioners and their employees; defining and prescribing certain duties for various State and county officers, and heads of departments of the State, and certain officers of counties and municipalities, adopting the provisions hereof; prescribing the method and manner by which any county or incorporated town or city may adopt the provisions of this act; and providing that when so adopted that this act shall immediately be in full force and effect in such county, city or town; prescribing certain duties for commissioners courts and for the city council, commissioners, board of aldermen or governing body of any incorporated city or town within this State; creating certain offenses for violations of the provisions of this act, and defining same; providing penalties, repealing laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Burton of Rusk:

H. B. No. 114, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 5118, Title 75, Chapter 1, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, so as to exempt from jury service all presidents and vice-presidents, local managers, office clerks and plant employes of telephone and telegraph companies."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Raiden, Mr. Bedell, Mr. Lannier, Mr. Baker of Hood, Mr. Butler, Mr. Veatch, Mr. Harris, Mr. Spencer of Wise, Mr. Thompson of Red River, Mr. Cox, Mr. Davis of Grimes, Mr. Crudgington, Mr. Nordhaus, Mr. Sholars, Mr. Pope, Mr. Thomason of Nacogdoches, Mr. Davis of Van Zandt, Mr. Smith of Hopkins, Mr. Williford and Mr. Lee:

H. B. No. 115, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 5 of an act entitled 'An Act to create a State Bonded Warehouse System, and to afford a method of co-operative marketing for those engaged in the production of farm and ranch products and for the purpose of effectuating this end and creating a Board of Supervisors of Warehouses; defining the authority of said board and giving it power of visitation over the corporations chartered under the act, etc.', and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Peyton:

H. B. No. 116, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations for the support and maintenance of the Sam Houston Normal School, the Denton Normal School, the San Marcos Normal School, and the Canyon City Normal School during the summer term of 1917, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Davis of Dallas:

H. B. No. 117, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 1, Title 49, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, providing for the time and place of holding of elections, by adding thereto Article 2919a, providing that in all instances where practicable, all elections shall be held in some schoolhouse, fire station or other public building within the limits of the election precinct without charge therefor, except for actual additional expenses, and authorizing such use of public building, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections.

By Mr. Crudgington:

H. B. No. 118, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make appropriations to cover authorized deficiencies for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1916, and to cover authorized deficiencies for a portion of the fiscal year ending August 31, 1917, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Tillotson, Mr. Woods, Mr. Bell, Mr. Laney, Mr. Mendell, Mr. Valentine, Mr. Beason, Mr. McFarland and Mr. Holland:

H. B. No. 119, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to negotiable instru-

ments, and to establish a law uniform with other States as have adopted the Uniform Negotiable Instruments Law, repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith."

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Taylor and Mr. Raiden:

H. B. No. 120, A bill to be entitled "An Act to tax attorney's fees in certain cases, as cost on appeal."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Parks, Mr. Burton of Tarrant and Mr. Nordhaus:

H. B. No. 121, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for a Bureau of Labor Statistics of the State of Texas to be under the control of the Commissioner of Labor Statistics, providing for the appointment of the Commissioner of Labor Statistics by the Governor, fixing his term of office and requiring a bond for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, prescribing the duties of Commissioner of Labor Statistics, authorizing the Commissioner of Labor Statistics to issue subpoenas, administer oaths and take testimony in all matters relating to the duties of his office, prescribing penalties upon witnesses for failure or neglect to attend and testify at the time and place and under the subpoena issued by the Commissioner of Labor Statistics, requiring the owner, manager, superintendent or lessee of any factory, mill, workshop, mine, store, business house, public or private work or any other establishment or place where three or more persons are employed at work to furnish to the Commissioner of Labor Statistics or any of his deputies or inspectors any information necessary for the purposes contemplated by the act, and prescribing penalties for failure or refusal to comply with this provision, requiring the owner, manager, superintendent, lessee or other person in control of any factory, mill, workshop, mine, store, business house, public or private work or other establishment or place where three or more persons are employed at work to register with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and providing penalties for failure or refusal to comply with this provision, prohibiting the Commissioner of Labor Statistics or any of his deputies, inspectors or employes from divulging the name of individuals, firms or corporations giving information under the provisions of the act, and prescribing penalties for violation thereof, authorizing the Commissioner of Labor

Statistics to destroy such schedules, records or documents gathered or returned by its officers or employes which are of no further use at the expiration of two years, requiring the Commissioner of Labor Statistics to file complaint as provided by law with respect to employment of children or females or of the preservation of the health of employes or of the hours of labor of employes on public work or any other matter affecting the safety and comfort of employes with the county or district attorney in the county where such violations occur or to the Attorney General of the State, making it the duty of such county or district attorney to whom such complaint has been made to institute the proper proceedings against the person or persons complained of, requiring the owner, manager, superintendent, lessee or other person in charge or control of any factory, mill, workshop, mine, store, business house, public or private work or other establishment or place where three or more people are employed to give free access to the Commissioner of Labor Statistics or any of his deputies or inspectors and to allow them to remain therein such time as is reasonably necessary for the purposes of this act, prohibiting the above named persons from in any way interfering with or deterring the said Commissioner or his deputies or inspectors from collecting information, and providing penalties for violation of this provision, authorizing the Commissioner of Labor Statistics to issue an order for the correction of insanitary conditions, carelessly or dangerously operated machinery, apparatus or device dangerous to the health, life or limb of the employe or prescribing the effect of such orders, procedure whereby the legality of same may be tested, and making it unlawful, under penalties, to operate or use such place, etc., or machinery, etc., after failure or refusal to comply with such orders; fixing the salary of the Commissioner of Labor Statistics, his secretary, statistician and inspectors, providing for postage, stationery and other expenses necessary to the transaction of the business of the Bureau, providing for traveling expenses for the Commissioner of Labor Statistics or any employe of the said Bureau, repealing only such laws, or parts of laws as are in direct conflict with the act."

Referred to Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Parks:

H. B. No. 122, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, to regulate the

practice of chiropractic, providing for licensing chiropractors and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Jones and Mr. Dodd:

H. B. No. 123, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1162 of Chapter 3, Title 25, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, conferring on corporations the power to borrow money, the purpose of the amendment being to permit corporations to borrow in excess of the amount of their authorized capital stock, and to declare an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Private Corporations.

By Mr. Neeley and Mr. Davis of Grimes:

H. B. No. 124, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide an appropriation for the maintenance and support of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas in conformity to the provisions of an act passed by the Thirty-fourth Legislature 'providing for the issuance of certain State bonds and authorizing the retirement of certain bonds of the State of Texas, etc.,' and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Davis of Grimes and Mr. Neeley:

H. B. No. 125, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make an emergency appropriation for the cost of construction of a fire-proof dormitory, to supplement the present available appropriation for the erection of a power plant, and to provide for the maintenance, support and direction of the summer school at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1917, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Dunnam:

H. B. No. 126, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2750, Chapter 12, Title 48, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to the county school superintendents and other officers so as to provide for a referendum vote in counties having more than three thousand and not less than ten thousand scholastic population, as shown by the preceding scholastic census, to determine whether or not the office of county su-

perintendent shall be abolished in such county, and to add Article 2750a, so as to provide for the creation of the office of county superintendent of public instruction in such counties where such office has been abolished by referendum vote, and to provide for the appointment of a county superintendent of public instruction until the next general election in counties where same shall have been restored by referendum vote, and to provide for the form of ballot in such election."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Taylor and Mr. Sackett:

H. B. No. 127, A bill to be entitled "An Act to render unlawful the issue of road warrants or other evidence of indebtedness, except bonds as provided in Article 605 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, for the purpose of laying out, constructing, maintaining or repairing any road or bridge, unless the same be payable during the current year for which it is issued, and not in excess of the amount that can be paid out of the current funds of the county for such year."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Holland:

H. B. No. 128, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 6174, 6181, 6186, 6188, 6201, 6214, 6215, 6220, 6223, 6224, 6227, and by adding Article 6231a, Title 104, Chapters 1 and 2, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, regulating the management, control and financing the penitentiary system, and working of prisoners therein of the State of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Penitentiaries.

By Mr. Beason:

H. B. No. 129, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2898, Chapter 19, Title 48, Revised Civil Statutes, 1911, defining 'colored race,' 'colored children,' 'white race' and 'white children,' as used in Title 48 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Beason:

H. B. No. 130, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Criminal District Court of Galveston county, and defining the jurisdiction thereof; providing for a judge and clerk thereof and for their appointment and election; pre-

scribing the duties of the county attorney of Galveston county with respect thereto; prescribing the duties and emoluments of said officers and of the sheriff of said county in matters pertaining to said court, and providing for the transfer of all cases, papers and records of the 'County Court of Galveston County at Law' and of all felony cases and the papers and records in all felony cases from the Tenth and Fifty-sixth Judicial Districts to the Criminal District Court of Galveston county, and repealing Section 17 of an act entitled 'An Act to change the territorial limits of the Criminal District Court composed of Galveston and Harris counties, so as to hereafter include Harris county alone, and to establish and create within the limits of Harris county, Texas, a separate Criminal District Court for Harris county alone; to provide for the jurisdiction of and procedure in said court; to fix the term of the Criminal District Court of Harris county; to provide for the election, qualification, jurisdiction, duties, powers and compensation of a judge of said court; to provide for the election, qualification, powers, and compensation of a clerk and district attorney for said court; to provide for the appointment of assistants to the district attorney and deputy clerks, and to provide for their powers, duties and method of payment; abolishing the Criminal District Court of Galveston and Harris counties in so far as the same embraces the county of Galveston, and giving and restoring to the district and county courts of Galveston county jurisdiction of felony and misdemeanor cases, and providing for the transfer of cases from the criminal district court of Galveston county to the district and county courts of said county, and giving the commissioners county of Galveston county authority to employ special deputy or district clerks or both, and providing the county attorney and his assistants shall conduct in the District County Court and County Court at Law the prosecutions and for fees to be received by such county attorney for such services, and providing for fees to be paid the county and district clerk and for the appointment of a special deputy county clerk, and for the payment of his services, and providing the county attorney for Galveston county, and his assistants, shall conduct all prosecutions in the District and County Court and County Court at Law of Galveston county and the fees

to be received therefor, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency,' approved March 13, 1911, General Laws of the Thirty-second Legislature, Chapter 67 (Vernon Sayles' Texas Civil Statutes, Article 2201s), in so far as the same pertains to Galveston county, and repealing an act entitled 'An Act to create the "County Court of Galveston County at Law"; to define the jurisdiction thereof; providing for a judge and clerk thereof, the appointment and election of said judge; the appointment of jury commissioners; fixing the salary and fees of the judge and a prosecuting attorney for said court and the fees to be received by him, and for the transfer of cases to said court, and to conform to such change the jurisdiction of the county, and declaring an emergency.'"

Referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Mr. Miller of Dallas:

H. B. No. 131, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide pensions for the survivors of the Texas Rangers and their widows in indigent circumstances who served the State from 1873 to 1880."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Nordhaus, Mr. Valentine, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Wahrmond and Mr. Miller of Austin:

H. B. No. 132, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 105 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, which chapter is entitled 'An Act to prevent the diversion of electric current, water or gas from passing through any meter, and prevent any electric, water or gas meter by any manner or means from registering the full amount of current of electricity, water or gas, that passed through it, and to prevent the diversion from any wire of electric current, water or gas of any person, corporation or company engaged in the manufacture or distribution of electricity, water or gas, for lighting, power or other purposes; and to prevent the retaining of, or refusing to deliver any meters, lamps or other appliances which may have been loaned or supplied for furnishing electricity, water or gas; and to prescribe a penalty for the violation thereof'; so amending said chapter as to make the presence on or

about such meters, wires and pipes of any device for diversion of electric current, water or gas, or for the prevention of the proper action, or registration of the meter prima facie evidence of intention on the part of the user to defraud within the scope of such chapter, and so amending said act as to effect more fully the purpose thereof, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Boner, Mr. Stewart and Mr. Hawkins:

H. B. No. 133, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Title 48, Chapter 15, Revised Statutes of Texas, 1911, by adding thereto a new article, No. 2827a, relating to the duties of the common school trustees, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. McFarland:

H. B. No. 134, A bill to be entitled "An Act to validate titles to school land which has been purchased from the State on condition of settlement and residence, in cases where the purchaser made settlement thereon and filed his affidavit of settlement in the General Land Office, but transferred the land before the expiration of one year from date of award to another qualified purchaser, in cases where settled on the land within the time required by law but failed to file in the General Land Office his affidavit of settlement within the time required by law; in cases where the purchaser failed to settle on the land within ninety days from the date of award but actually settled on the land and filed his affidavit of settlement in the General Land Office as required by law; and in cases where the purchaser has been prevented from making settlement by being called into military service of the United States; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands and Land Office.

By Mr. McFarland:

H. B. No. 135, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 2939, Chapter 4, Title 49, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, and to regulate elections, and prescribing certain qualifications of voters thereat, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections.

By Mr. McFarland and Mr. Bryant:

H. B. No. 136, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7377, Title 126 of the Revised Civil Statutes of this State, relating to those engaged in the State of Texas in the business of wholesale dealers in coal oil, naphtha, benzine, or any other mineral oils refined from petroleum; providing for quarterly reports to the Comptroller therefrom showing the gross amount collected and uncollected from any and all sales made within the State, and a payment to the Treasurer of the State of Texas of an occupation tax on gross receipts, and defining the words 'wholesale dealer,' and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Pope:

H. B. No. 137, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Subdivision 21 of Article 1120 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, adopted in 1911, so as to provide that corporations organized for the purpose of constructing or acquiring the power to maintain and operate street railways within and near cities and towns which use electric power, shall be authorized to manufacture, supply and sell electricity and gas (by artificial or natural or both) for light, heat and power to the public and to municipalities."

Referred to Committee on Private Corporations.

By Mr. Carlock, Mr. Burton of Tarrant, Mr. Walker, Mr. Holland, Mr. Thomason of El Paso, Mr. Schlesinger, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Beard of Harris and Mr. Robertson:

H. B. No. 138, A bill to be entitled "An Act to be known as the interchangeable jury law, to regulate the selection, organization and custody of juries in all cases except capital and lunacy cases in counties where there are now three or may hereafter be established three or more district courts, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Holland and Mr. Williams of Brazoria:

H. B. No. 139, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and providing for the

enforcement of liens for material, machinery or supplies furnished to, or for labor performed for, owners of land, mines or quarries, or owners of leaseholds for oil, gas, or water wells, for oil or gas pipe lines and rights of way, or for mining or quarrying purposes, and for materials, machinery, supplies or labor for the construction, maintenance, operation or repair of oil, gas, or water wells, or for oil or gas pipe lines, mines or quarries, and prohibiting the sale or removal of property subject to such liens without the consent of the lienholders; and providing a penalty therefor; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Nordhaus and Mr. Valentine:

H. B. No. 140, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize street railway corporations to own and operate motor vehicles which are not operated on rails or tracks so as to expressly include with authority, and providing that such authority shall not be exercised without the consent of the city where such company is operating, and that such vehicles shall be operated only on such streets or parts thereof as may be designated by the city; and that such company shall include in its gross tax receipts reports all fares collected from such service, and pay the same rate of taxes thereon as is paid on receipts from the operation of its street railways, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. Carlock:

H. B. No. 141, A bill to be entitled "An Act prescribing the venue of suits brought by the State of Texas for the purpose of forfeiting the charter of private domestic corporations or the permit of a foreign corporation; or to prevent the use by a corporation of powers not conferred by law; or to prevent the misuse of powers conferred; or for the purpose of preventing persons or corporations from engaging in business in this State contrary to law; or for the purpose of restraining persons or firms from exercising corporate franchises, rights or privileges without having been lawfully chartered or licensed so to do; or suits against corporations for taxes, fees or penalties due and payable at the seat of the State government to any department of the State government; or suits to compel corporations to discharge duties imposed by the laws of this State, or orders of any administrative officers,

board or commission made under any law of this State; or for the enforcement of any corporation laws; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Private Corporations.

By Mr. Sentell:

H. B. No. 142, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require the rendition of all promissory notes, owned by residents of this State, for taxation to the assessors of the county of the owners' residence; requiring assessors to certify such rendition; rendering invalid promissory notes not so rendered for taxation; prescribing penalties for violation of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Templeton:

H. B. No. 143, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing the Western Home for the Insane; to be located in this State west of the 98th meridian and north of the 30th parallel of latitude."

Referred to Committee on State Asylums.

By Mr. Terrell, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Beard of Milam, Mr. Boner, Mr. Bedell and Mr. Lee:

H. B. No. 144, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1, Section 6 and Section 43, of Chapter 5, of the General Laws enacted at the Second Called Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, vesting the control, management and supervision of said law in the Commissioner of Agriculture, by conferring the authority heretofore vested by Sections 1 and 43 in the Commissioner of Insurance and Banking, and the Board of Supervisors of Warehouses, upon the Commissioner of Agriculture, providing that wherever the words 'Commissioner of Insurance and Banking' and the words 'Board of Supervisors of Warehouses' shall occur in said law, they shall be construed to mean 'Commissioner of Agriculture'; prohibiting the cutting of the bagging and the taking of samples by any other person than a bonded ginner; prohibiting the selling of cotton or offering to sell by any other sample than the one taken by a bonded ginner; prescribing penalties for the violation of Section 6 of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Florer:

H. B. No. 145, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate plumbing, plumbing ventilation and house drainage, and to that end creating the office of State Inspector of Plumbing, with power to appoint deputy inspectors of plumbing, defining their powers and duties, under the authority of the State Board of Health, fixing their compensation, and giving Inspectors of Plumbing the powers of peace officers; establishing local boards of plumbing examiners, fixing the fees for examination of applicants, and providing for the issuance and revocation of licenses, their renewal, and for the registration of apprentices; the bonding of master and employing plumbers; requiring municipalities to pass ordinances covering plumbing installation; making an appropriation, and providing a special fund out of which the State shall be reimbursed; and providing penalties for the violation of this act; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Florer:

H. B. No. 146, A bill to be entitled "An Act to punish the making or use of false statements respecting financial condition for the purpose of obtaining money, property or credit, when such money, property or credit amounts to not less than fifty dollars; whether such statements are made directly or indirectly; making such an offense a felony; and prescribing the punishment therefor."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Florer:

H. B. No. 147, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the use and operation of rent automobiles, defining same and regulating same; requiring a license and bond in connection with the operation of same, and prohibiting the transportation of intoxicating liquors therein, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Carlock, Mr. Holland and Mr. Valentine:

H. B. No. 148, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit any person other than the lawful owner or owners to use, traffic in, purchase, sell, convert, mutilate or destroy, or to refuse to return to such owner, any milk cans, milk bottles, milk jars, butter boxes, ice cream

cans or ice cream tubs, branded or stamped or bearing the private mark of such owner."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Williams of McLennan:

H. B. No. 149, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Title 126, Chapter 1, Article 7355, Section 9, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, on the question of taxation."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Reeves:

H. B. No. 150, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that municipal authorities in cities of over ten thousand inhabitants, as shown by the last Federal census, shall not be permitted to compel firemen regularly employed by fire departments of such city government, to work more than six days in any one week, and providing penalties for the violation of this act."

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. Mendell and Mr. Nichols:

H. B. No. 151, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make fraudulent advertising a penal offense, and prescribing a penalty, and making each day the same is committed a separate offense."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Beard of Harris:

H. B. No. 152, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2236 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, so as to prohibit county commissioners from redistricting a county and creating any new precincts within sixty days of any general or primary election, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections.

By Mr. Sallas, Mr. Reeves, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Templeton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Peyton and Mr. Sentell:

H. B. No. 153, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7662 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, relating to taxation; providing for a period of limitation of four years, in which all suits for the collection of delinquent taxes shall be brought, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Tilson:

H. B. No. 154, A bill to be entitled "An Act to apportion the State of Texas into senatorial districts; to specify the county to which returns of an election shall be sent, on which the county judge shall issue certificates of election, repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Senatorial Districts.

By Mr. Robertson:

H. B. No. 155, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for salaries of clerks of the Courts of Civil Appeals, and the payment of costs collected by said clerks into the Treasury of the State of Texas."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Bland:

H. B. No. 156, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring the owners of real property in rendering same for taxation to deduct from the value of the property the amount charged against the land, either by vendor's liens or mortgage, and requiring the owners of the notes either secured by mortgage or vendor's liens, to render the notes for taxation according to the value of the same, and requiring the owner of notes to register the same with the clerk of the county court, and providing fee for same, and prohibiting the collection of the same through the courts unless so registered, and to be paid the same fee for recording as allowed by law."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Williford and Mr. Crudgington:

H. B. No. 157, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring the commissioners court to publish notice of the time and place of the letting of any contract calling for or requiring the expenditure of five hundred dollars or more, of submitting same to competitive bids, and of publishing notice of the proposed letting of such contract, and providing that contracts made in violation of this act shall not be enforced and may be enjoined."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Harris and Mr. Spencer of Wise:

H. B. No. 158, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1832, Chapter 4, Title 37, Revised Civil Statutes

of 1911, State of Texas, relating to venue, and providing for the payment in addition to all costs, one dollar per day to be paid to the defendant for the time necessarily incurred going and returning from court, and ten cents per mile one way, together with a reasonable attorney's fee, in case the defendant's plea of privilege is sustained, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Schlesinger:

H. B. No. 159, A bill to be entitled "An Act forbidding transaction of business in Texas under an assumed name other than the real name or names of the individuals conducting such business, unless such individuals file in the office of the clerk of the county where such business is to be conducted a certificate containing the names and addresses of such persons; providing for the keeping of special record of such certificates by the county clerks of the State; providing for a filing fee to be paid the county clerk for filing such certificate; making it a misdemeanor not to comply with the provisions of this act, and fixing a penalty for such failure."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Canales:

H. B. No. 160, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 7684, 7685, 7686, 7688 and 7695, to Chapter 15, Title 126 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, relating to delinquent taxes, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Canales:

H. B. No. 161, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7702, Chapter 17, Title 126 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relative to the collection of back taxes."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Williams of Brazoria:

H. B. No. 162, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2241 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, so as to limit the powers of the commissioners court in the payment of claims and issuance of warrants and evidence of debt."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Williams of Brazoria:

H. B. No. 163, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing Freeport Independent School District, in Brazoria county, Texas, defining and describing it by metes and bounds, providing for election of trustees therefor, providing for it to assume the outstanding indebtedness of common school district No. 35 in said county, vesting in it the title to all school property of said common school district No. 35, providing for the government thereof as under the general laws, applicable to towns and villages incorporated for free school purposes only, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Valentine (by request):

H. B. No. 164, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the inspection of stationary and portable steam boilers; for the appointment of inspectors of such boilers; fixing salaries of such inspectors and providing for their traveling expenses; prescribing the manner of inspection, fixing penalties for violation of same, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Valentine:

H. B. No. 165, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it unlawful to attempt to commit the crime of burglary of a private residence at night; prescribing penalty therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Taylor:

H. B. No. 166, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the creation and regulation of local mutual life insurance associations."

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Stewart:

H. B. No. 167, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1, Chapter 25, General Laws of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, Regular Session, relating to payment of wages to employes in certain employments."

Referred to Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Nichols:

H. B. No. 168, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 17 of Title

17 of the Penal Code of the State by adding thereto Article 1417a to provide that any person as tenant, lessee, superintendent or person in charge of farm lands, in possession or control of a growing crop, or farm produce in which the landlord owns or is due a part or interest as rent, who shall embezzle, or fraudulently misapply or convert to his own use any of the landlord's part or interest, or any proceeds of the landlord's part of the interest, which proceeds represents the landlord's part or interest in the crop or product, to be guilty of a penal offense, and providing a penalty."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Beard of Milam:

H. B. No. 169, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2821, Title 48, Chapter 15, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, so that hereafter said article shall provide, in substance, that school trustees not thus qualified; placing certain duties upon the county judge of a county, who is ex-officio county superintendent; directing suits for the removal of unqualified trustees by the county attorney; providing for enjoining disqualified trustees from acting; providing for the trial and removal of trustees who are not qualified under the act; conferring certain authority and requiring certain duties of the county board of education with reference to school trustees; providing that the county board of education may appoint school trustees in case of vacancy in such office, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Tillotson, Mr. Mendell, Mr. Laney and Mr. Swope:

H. B. No. 170, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a State Board of Architects, and defining the qualifications of the members thereof; providing for the appointment of said board and fixing its powers and duties; providing for the examination of applicants for certificates as registered architects, and the issuance, refusal and revocation of such certificates by said board, and the collection of the fees on said certificates; providing for the renewal of said certificates and the collection of the fees therefor, and the reinstatement of those who fail to comply with the renewal provisions of this act and the collection of a special fee therefor; pro-

viding for the preservation and authentication of the record of said board and the payment of the expenses of said board together with salaries from the registration and other fees received by the board and not from the treasury of the State; prohibiting anyone from representing himself as an architect in this State, unless so certified by said board, and fixing a penalty therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Bagby:

H. B. No. 171, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7491 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, so as to make it the duty of the county attorney or the district attorney in those counties having no county attorney to institute suit for the collection of inheritance taxes due the State, and to provide a compensation therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Cox:

H. B. No. 172, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1b of Chapter 56 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature of the State of Texas, relating to the employments, hours of labor and compensation of females employed in any factory, engaged in the manufacture of cotton, woolen or worsted goods, or articles of merchandise manufactured out of cotton goods; providing that no female shall be employed for more than eleven hours in any calendar week, and providing for double pay for each hour such females shall labor over fifty-four hours during any calendar week."

Referred to Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Bryant and Mr. Bell:

H. B. No. 173, A bill to be entitled "An Act declaring it to be unlawful for any railway company, or receiver thereof, or any other common carrier, to confiscate or otherwise convert to its, or their own use any article of freight received by it, or them, for transportation and delivery; providing penalties therefor in favor of the State of Texas and in favor of the owner or consignee of such article; providing that the terms of this act are cumulative of all other laws upon the subject, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Schlesinger and Mr. Scholl:

H. B. No. 174, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for a certain season during which it shall be unlawful for any person to kill any squirrel in the State of Texas, and limiting the amount of squirrels that may be killed during any one day during the remainder of the year, and prohibiting the sale and exchange of squirrels."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Spencer:

H. B. No. 175, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Title 7, Article 302 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas so as that the same shall read as hereinafter set out, and to further amend said Title 7 by inserting after Article 302 a new article to be known as 302a; said amended Articles 302 and 302a being hereafter fully set forth, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Bland:

H. B. No. 176, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that all persons and warehousemen in this State, whether public or private, incorporated or unincorporated, who store cotton for hire in yards or other places not under shelter, but exposed to the weather, and in such a manner that the same shall come in contact with the soil, as well as exposed to the weather, and all public weighers who store cotton for hire in like manner, shall, in addition to all other liability, be responsible for all damages to cotton stored with them exposed as aforesaid, which may arise from such exposure or contact with the soil, and this regardless of the fact that the owner of the cotton may have actual knowledge and agreed orally, or in writing, as to the manner or place of storage, or agreed to waive all damage incident to such exposure; abolishing all defenses based upon any such knowledge, agreement or waiver; prescribing that all persons and corporations and public weighers who store cotton in the manner aforesaid, to be approved by the Board of Warehouse Supervisors; prescribing the terms and conditions of the bond and the amount thereof, creating offenses in violation of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Carlock:

H. B. No. 177, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the inspection of

steam boilers, the appointment of inspectors of steam boilers; providing for the salaries of inspectors and their expenses, manner of inspection, and penalties for violation of any part of this act."

Referred to Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Carlock:

H. B. No. 178, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1156, of Chapter 3, of Title 15, of the Revised Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas of 1911, relating to the holding of inquests."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Criminal Procedure.

By Mr. Carlock:

H. B. No. 179, A bill to be entitled "An Act to define junk dealers, to require such dealers to give bond, prescribing the conditions of such bond; to require such dealers to take bill of sale from each seller; to forbid the purchase of such dealers from minors or in the night time; to prescribe penalties, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Laney:

H. B. No. 180, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Title 52, Chapter 18, Article 3420, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, so as to provide that property upon which valid liens have been given shall be appropriated for exemptions or to make up allowances in lieu thereof until payment of debts secured thereby, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Spencer of Nolan:

H. B. No. 181, A bill to be entitled "An Act conferring certain powers upon the commissioners courts of the counties of this State and authorizing said courts, under such regulations as they may prescribe, to appropriate and use any sum or sums of money not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars per year for farmers co-operative demonstration work in their respective counties along the same lines as this work is or may be conducted by the United States Department of Agriculture, and prescribing that they may conduct such work jointly in their respective counties with the agents and

representatives of the United States Department of Agriculture upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between the agents of the Department of Agriculture and the commissioners court."

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Nordhaus, Mr. Valentine, Mr. Wahrmond, Mr. Miller of Austin, and Mr. Schlesinger:

H. B. No. 182, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 541 and add 541a, Chapter 4, Title 7, of the law in regard to the manner of enforcing the attendance of witnesses relating to the obtaining of money, property or other things of value under false pretenses, or uttering or delivering any check, draft, or order in payment of any obligation to defraud; and prescribe manner in which such witnesses may be required to attend to trial of such cases, and providing for their pay."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Criminal Procedure.

By Mr. Nordhaus, Mr. Valentine, Mr. Schlesinger and Mr. Fisher:

H. B. No. 183, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Article 5663 of Chapter 3, Title 86, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to fixing a special lien in favor of hotels and boarding houses and providing a remedy for the enforcement of said lien by advertising and sale of baggage and other property under the control of the guests of such hotel keeper, inn keeper and boardinghouse keepers, and the application of the proceeds of said sale, defining the term hotel, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Nordhaus, Mr. Valentine and Mr. Schlesinger:

H. B. No. 184, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1423 of the Penal Code of Texas; to amend Article 1428, Chapter 13, Title 19, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, relating to the obtaining of board and lodging under false pretenses or obtaining any property or thing of value or the making, uttering or delivering of any check, draft or order in payment of any obligation to defraud; to prescribe a rule of evidence in prosecution thereunder; and to enact new sections in lieu thereof, relating to the obtaining of board and lodging under false pretenses,

and prescribing penalties for violation thereof."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 185, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 1303, 1304, 1308, 1311, 1312 and 1320 of the Revised Penal Code of the State of Texas, 1911, defining and punishing the offense of burglary; distinguishing day-time burglary and night-time burglary, and providing separate punishments, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 186, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 555 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas, 1911, by eliminating the necessity for arraignment after trial is begun."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Criminal Procedure.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 187, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 691 and 709 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the Revised Criminal Statutes, 1911, prescribing the number of peremptory challenges to jurors in felony cases, by reducing the number, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 188, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1350, Revised Penal Code of the State of Texas, 1911, prescribing the punishment for theft from person by reducing the minimum punishment."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 189, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 558 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the Revised Criminal Statutes of 1911, relating to the appointment of counsel in capital cases for indigent defendants by providing for appointment of counsel in other felony cases, where deemed necessary by the court, and adding Article 558a, allowing fees to attorneys so appointed, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Criminal Procedure.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 190, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 3234 and 3244 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, by consolidating them and by adding thereto certain provisions for the taking of depositions in cases of probating will and other proceedings in estates where there is no opposing party or attorney of record upon whom service of notice copies of interrogatories may be had."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 191, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Attorney General to prepare, have published and distributed 'A Peace Officer's Manual' containing all statutes prescribing and pertaining to the duties, activities and responsibilities of peace officers, with comment and explanation, and providing an appropriation therefor."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 192, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 878 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas, providing how a pecuniary fine may be discharged by a person convicted of a misdemeanor, and repealing all laws in conflict herewith."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 193, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 936, 937 and 939 of the Penal Code of the Revised Criminal Statutes of Texas of 1911, prescribing the punishment for forgery, passing a forged instrument, and having in possession, with intent to pass or use a forged instrument, by changing the punishment in certain cases and reducing the minimum punishment, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 194, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 1354 and 1355 of the Revised Penal Code of the State of Texas, 1911, defining and punishing theft of cattle, hogs and sheep and goats, by reducing the minimum punishment."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 195, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1430 of the Penal Code of the Revised Criminal Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, prescribing and punishing the fraudulent disposition of mortgaged property, by changing the form of punishment in certain cases and reducing the minimum punishment."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Woods:

H. B. No. 196, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1340 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, 1911, prescribing the punishment for theft of property of the value of fifty dollars and over, by reducing the minimum punishment."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Davis of Van Zandt:

H. B. No. 197, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit contributions or any money or its equivalent by any limited partnership or unincorporated joint stock company or copartnership of any kind for the purpose of aiding or defeating the election of any candidate for the office of Representative in Congress or Presidential or Vice-Presidential elector of this State or United States Senator of this State, or any candidate for any State, district, county or precinct office of this State, or for the purpose of aiding in maintaining or defraying the expense of any campaign or political headquarters maintained for the election or defeat of any candidate for office or for the success or defeat of any question to be voted upon by the qualified voters of this State or any subdivision thereof; and to prohibit any trustee, manager, director, agent or owner of any limited partnership, unincorporated joint stock company or copartnership from contributing any of the money or other assets of such limited partnership, unincorporated joint stock company or copartnership of any kind for the purpose of aiding or defeating the election of any candidate for the office of Representative in Congress of the United States, Presidential or Vice-Presidential elector from this State or United States, Senator from this State or for any State, district, county or precinct office of this State or the success or the defeat of any question submitted to the vote of the people of this State, providing penalties therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections.

By Mr. Schlesinger:

H. B. No. 198, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize married women, who may be appointed notaries public, to execute the bond required as such, and to bind their separate estate as principal, jointly with her husband, or without her husband under certain circumstances, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Boner and Mr. Stewart:

H. B. No. 199, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it unlawful as manager, ticket seller or player to play at or engage in, or in any way assist the playing at any game of baseball or football in this State on Sunday, and providing penalties for violation of this act."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Holland:

H. B. No. 200, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2303, Chapter 5, Title 41, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, relating to venue of suits in justice courts, by adding thereto at the end of Subdivision 4 thereof, 'Provided that in all suits to recover for labor performed or any kind of personal service rendered may, at the option of plaintiff, be brought and maintained where such labor is performed or personal service rendered,' and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Schlesinger:

H. B. No. 201, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 24 of Article 1830, Title 37, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911 of the State of Texas, which fixes the venue of suits against any private corporation, association or joint stock company in any county in which the cause of action or a part thereof arose, by providing in addition thereto that any person or firm may be sued in any county in which the cause of action or a part thereof arose, without regard to when the cause of action may have accrued or suit begun, and repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Nichols and Mr. Jones:

H. B. No. 202, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 303, Title 7, Chapter 2, of the Revised Criminal Statutes (1911) of Texas, specifically defining the articles or service that may be sold or rendered on Sunday, as exceptions from the operation of the preceding articles of said chapter, providing that incorporated cities and towns may by ordinance regulate or prohibit such sales, or service, and providing penalties."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Nichols:

H. B. No. 203, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 4476, of Chapter 3, Title 71, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, defining 'Texas Securities.'"

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Crudgington and Mr. Templeton:

H. B. No. 204, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1255, Title 17, Chapter 3, Penal Code, 1911, of the State of Texas, making the entering upon enclosed land of another and hunting thereon with firearms, or taking fish therefrom, a crime."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. McFarland:

H. B. No. 205, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of the land belonging to the public free school fund and the several asylum funds, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands and Land Office.

By Mr. Tilson:

H. B. No. 206, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1861 of the Revised Civil Statutes, relating to service of citation on foreign corporations."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Holland (by request):

H. B. No. 207, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the creation of a hotel commission, the duties of which are to collect an annual license from each hotel and rooming house, having fifteen or more rooms for the use of guests, and all restaurants doing business in the State, and compelling owners

and lessees of such concerns to run same in a sanitary manner, and prescribing punishment for violations of same, and making an appropriation to maintain the commission."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. McFarland, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Tillotson, Mr. Crudgington, Mr. Thomason of El Paso, Mr. Metcalfe and Mr. Dudley:

H. B. No. 208, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of the land belonging to the permanent fund of the University of Texas, and the reservation of minerals therein, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands and Land Office.

By Mr. Peyton:

H. B. No. 209, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing a period of duration of ten years, after which suits for taxes, due to the State of Texas, or any county, city, municipality, school district, road, improvement or irrigation district of said State or any other subdivision of this State or any county thereof authorized by law to levy and to collect taxes, shall not be brought."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Peddy, Mr. Stewart and Mr. Meador:

H. B. No. 210, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Articles 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 632a, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, Chapter 4, Title 7, of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas, 1911; and insert in lieu thereof new Articles 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 636a, 636b, 636c, 636d, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, and 41a, relative to change of venue in criminal cases, and repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Criminal Procedure.

By Mr. Miller of Dallas:

H. B. No. 211, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3663 of Chapter 2 of Title 53 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, relating to taking depositions by oral examination and answer, so as to permit the taking of depositions of witnesses and of parties to suit by oral examination and answer in any civil

case in certain courts of this State where depositions are now authorized by law to be taken."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Tillotson and Mr. Miller of Austin:

H. B. No. 212, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create and establish a 'Texas Industrial School and Workshop for the Adult Blind of the State'; providing for a board to locate such institution and to manage its affairs; providing an appropriation, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Asylums.

By Mr. Williams of McLennan:

H. B. No. 213, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7394 of the Revised Statutes of 1911, so as to provide that the franchise tax on foreign corporations therein levied shall be based upon that proportion of the total issued and outstanding capital stock of such corporation as the gross receipts of such corporation from its intrastate business in Texas bears to its total gross receipts."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Williams of McLennan:

H. B. No. 214, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3837 of the Revised Statutes of 1911, so as to provide that the permit fees for corporations payable to the Secretary of State under the provisions of Article 3857, Chapter 1, Title 58, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, shall be based upon the capital stock of corporations, domestic and foreign, issued and outstanding, and that such permit fees shall not exceed the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Tilson:

H. B. No. 215, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 116 of Chapter 96, Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-second Legislature, providing for the granting of the teachers' certificates, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Thomason of El Paso:

H. B. No. 216, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the protection of citizens

of this State, and of the United States, and citizens of countries having equal treaty rights with the United States on behalf of their citizens, who may be killed or injured in a foreign state or country, and providing for the procedure of trying such suits and causes of action in the courts of the State of Texas; and providing compensation therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Williford, Mr. Hartman, Mr. Spradley and Mr. Miller of Dallas:

H. B. No. 217, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prevent the hunting or killing of foxes between the first day of March and the first day of July of each year, and fixing a penalty."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Florer:

H. B. No. 218, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the payment by the State of Texas of a monthly pension to indigent widowed mothers for the partial support of their children in their own homes."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Russell:

H. B. No. 219, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing cities and towns having less than five thousand inhabitants and incorporated under the general or special law to pass ordinances regulating the working of streets and alleys, prescribing who are liable to street duty, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. Holland:

H. B. No. 220, A bill to be entitled "An Act to permit any person who has been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony and the punishment assessed is for any term in the penitentiary of fifteen years or less, and who has filed a motion for a new trial, to execute a bond, to be fixed and approved by the court, payable to the State of Texas, conditioned to secure his appearance and abide the judgment and orders of the court, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Criminal Procedure.

By Mr. Spencer of Nolan and Mr. Thompson of Red River:

H. B. No. 221, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1852 and re-

peal Articles 1853 and 1857 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, prescribing the form, contents and requisites of writs of citation, and the manner in which defendants shall be served with such citation process; prescribing the manner and grounds upon which a citation may be quashed, and repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict with this act."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

By Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Fisher and Mr. Martin:

H. B. No. 222, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 4621, Chapter 32 of the General Laws of the Thirty-third Legislature of Texas, passed at the Regular Session thereof, being 'An Act to amend Articles 4621, 4622, 4624, Title 68, Chapter 3, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, 1911, concerning the marital rights of parties, defining separate and community property of the husband and wife, conferring upon the wife the power to make contracts, authorizing suits on such contracts, giving the wife control over her separate property, placing limitations upon such control, giving her control over the rents from her separate real estate, interest on bonds and notes and dividends on stock owned by her, and over her personal earnings, exempting the same from debts contracted by her husband; providing that the joinder of the husband shall be necessary to a conveyance or encumbrance of the wife's lands, bonds, stock, except that upon the order of the district court she may convey the same without joinder of the husband, repealing Article 4625, Title 68, Chapter 3, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, 1911, and all other laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,' by providing that when the husband shall have permanently abandoned the wife, or shall be insane, she may, upon order of the district court, encumber, transfer or convey her separate real estate, bonds and stocks, without the joinder of her husband in such encumbrance, transfer or conveyance, and by providing that in such instances, upon order of the district court, she may transfer and convey her separate real estate, without the joinder of her husband in such transfer or conveyance, whether such separate real state be occupied and claimed by her as a homestead or otherwise, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Baker:

H. B. No. 223, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 923f of the Penal Code of this State, as enacted by Chapter 135 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Texas, so as to exempt therefrom the counties of Hood and Somervell, as to the waters of the Brazos river, but no further, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. O'Banion:

H. B. No. 224, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3356, Chapter 2, Title 52, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, relating to the estate of decedents."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

Pending reading of the bills, Mr. Tillotson and Mr. Woods occupied the chair temporarily.

APPOINTMENT ANNOUNCED.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Frank Romines as page.

(Mr. Burton of Tarrant in the chair.)

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Woods, the House, at 3:05 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 9:30 o'clock a. m. next Monday.

SIXTH DAY.

(Monday, January 15, 1917.)

The House met at 9:30 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment.

(Speaker Fuller in the chair.)

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Bagby.	Bryan.
Baker.	Bryant.
Beard of Harris.	Burton of Rusk.
Beasley.	Burton of Tarrant.
Bell.	Butler.
Bertram.	Cadenhead.
Blackburn.	Canales.
Blackmon.	Carlock.
Blalock.	Clark.
Bland.	Cope.
Bledsoe.	Cox.
Boner.	Crudgington.
Brown.	Davis of Dallas.